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The clubs roll into their winter and spring sessions as new officers are elected. Three clubs have been formed since the first of the year.

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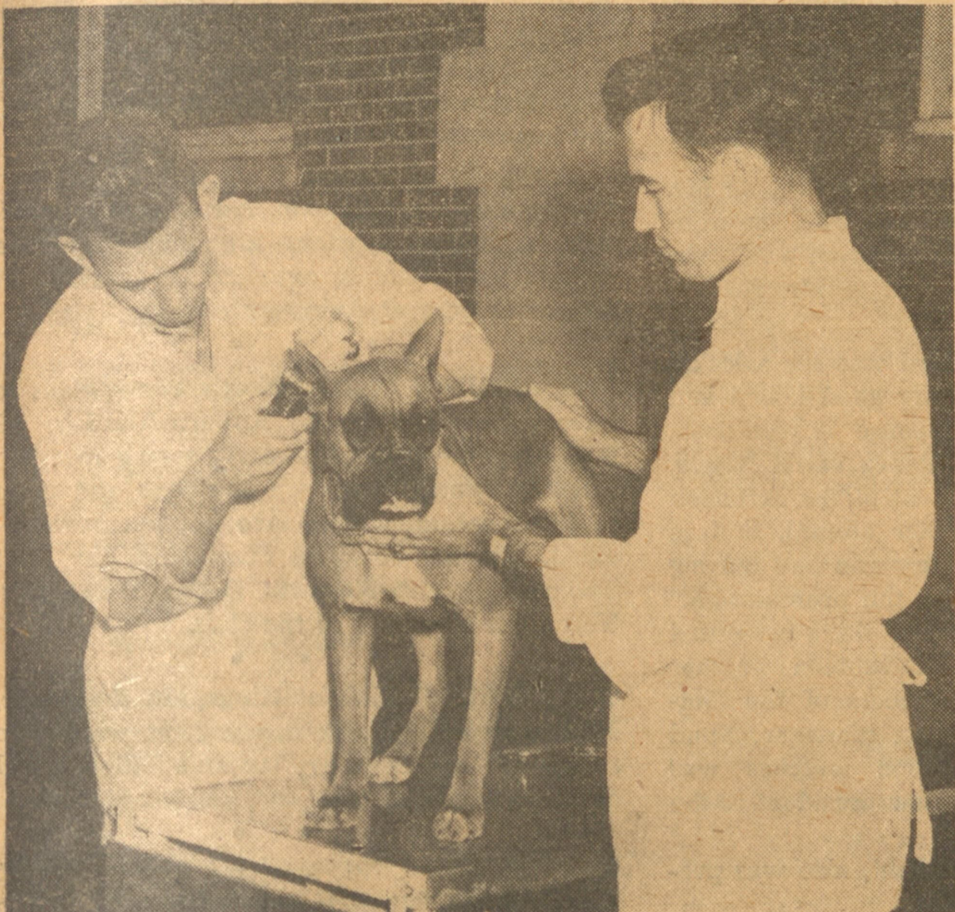
The campus has not a single still second, for chimes' sound, kings are crowned, and queens elected.

### Alumnus of the Month

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The Alumni Association turns its eyes toward the campus and selects Auburn's athletic business manager and IFC advisor March Alumnus of the Month.

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FUTURE veterinarians R. S. McMasters and Sid McCain give this perplexed Boxer a quick physical. School of Veterinary Medicine feature on page 4

## Alumni Versus the Varsity

SCENE: Hare Stadium, Auburn.

TIME: Afternoon of Saturday, February 25.

EVENT: "A" Day football game.

**PLAYERS:** On varsity team, **Left Ends** Virgil Willett, Tommy Edwards, Charlie Justo, and Lee Hayley; **Left Tackles** Ted Varano, Mort Vaserbery, and Sam Hanks; **Left Guards** Tom Banks, Jack Lambert, Foy Thompson, Mauro Grosso, and Virgil Hughey; **Centers** Bill Hogarth, Danny Stewart, John Crolla, Homer Williams, and Guy Bruce; **Right Guards** Jim Brooks, Bobby Rhed, R. J. Drago, Bobby Drake, and Ralph Law; **Right Tackles** Bobby Weaver, Hal Harris, and Joe Tiburzi; **Right Ends** Fred Duart, Gene Mulhall, David Ridgway, and Erich Sauerbrey; **Quarterbacks** Allan Parks and Bill Tucker; **Left Halfbacks** Dickie Fluornoy, Bobby Golden, and Al Woodham; **Right Halfbacks** Johnny Wallis and Herman Howard; **Fullbacks** Jim McGowen, Charles Langner, and Jim Jeffers.

**PLAYERS:** On opposing team, **Ends** Everett Harwell, '44, Dick Wade, '46, Ralph Pyburn, '49, David McCrary, '48, Ed Deupree, and Dick McMurry; **Tackles** Homer Wesley, '48, Denvard Snell, '48, Jim Bailey, '48, Arnold Fagen, '49, Max Autrey, '49, John Aldreck, Jack Jones, Dozier Oglesby, and Don Stewart; **Guards** Royce McMahan, '48, Holly Mitchell, '48, Chester Cline, '49, Ray Moore, '49, Billy Small, Cecil Trantham, Wyman Gibson, and Jerry Allison; **Backs** Herbert Hawkins, '44, Clifford Grubbs, '47, C. R. Irby, '46, Calvin Emmert, '49, Jocko Norton, '49, Dudley Spence (QB), Don Phillips, Johnny Gibson, Rigas Capstias, Percy

Alford, Don Blackerby, Ernest Baker (QB), and Jimmy Fullington (QB); **Centers** Howard Calhoun, '45, Tom McKinney, '48, and Frank Hayes, '49.

**FEATURE ATTRACTION:** The Varsity Versus the Alumni.

**NOTES:** A change has been made in "A" Day football procedure. In the past, the entire grid squad has been divided into two sections for the "A" Day game. This year, the Blues will battle the Oranges, as ever, but one of the teams will be made up of Auburn's gridiron great, straight from the pages of history.

Some sophomores will be used on

the alumni team, but most of the old team members who are returning to play in the game finished their eligibility more than one season back. The year beside names above is not necessarily the year of graduation, but rather the last year of a player's eligibility. Names not followed by years are those of student players.

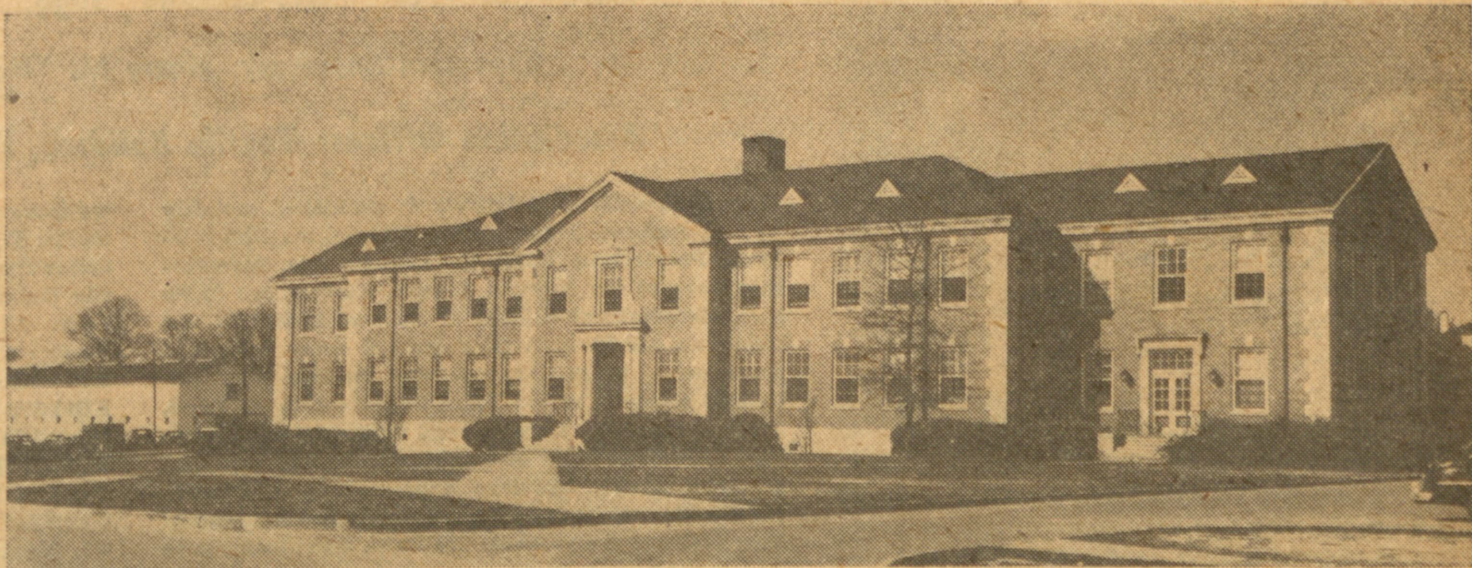
Alumni players will be coming Auburn way from all parts of the southland. Dick Wade now lives in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Royce McMahan, in Magnolia, Arkansas. Calvin Emmert will travel all the way from Ennis, Texas.

Line coach for the alumni team

will be John Adcock, '49. Travis Tidwell, '49, will coach the backfield.

The "A" Day football game is sponsored by the "A" Club, organization of varsity lettermen. The "A" Club has invited all former varsity lettermen to return to Auburn for "A" Day festivities, according to Ralph Pyburn, who is handling the day's athletic activities.

"The 'A' Club has passed a resolution," added Johnny Wallis, president of the organization, "issuing a special invitation to all alumni and friends of Auburn to visit the campus and see the 'A' Day game between present squad members and the 'old timers' on February 25."



CARY HALL, named for the first dean of the Auburn School of Veterinary Medicine, houses much modern

equipment and many veterinary laboratories. In the background are the newly built large animal barns



# Club News from Far and Near

THREE new Auburn alumni clubs have been welcomed into the Auburn Alumni Association. One, the **Heart of Georgia Club**, with headquarters in Macon, Georgia, has already been chartered, and the other two, **Tuscaloosa** and **Louisville, Alabama**, will soon be chartered.

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THE AUBURN Club of **Louisville, Alabama**, approved its by-laws on January 30, and its membership elected the following officers: R. S. Whigham, '25, president; and Fred N. Stephens, Jr., '34, secretary-treasurer.

Regular members of the Alumni Association making application for charter of the club were R. S. Whigham, Fred N. Stephens, Jr., Emory D. Fouts, '39, James A. Lee, '46, Winston M. Hagler, '46, L. D. Croft, '49, and Edwin P. Grant, Jr., '49.

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THE **Heart of Georgia** Auburn Club held its charter program on the evening of St. Valentine's Day, February 14, at Macon, Georgia. The charter was presented by H. M. "Happy" Davis, '32, alumni secretary, on behalf of the Auburn Alumni Association, and received by Samuel R. "Bob" Shi, '07, president of the Heart of Georgia Club.

Speakers on the club's "charter night" program included Dr. David W. Mullins, A.P.I. vice-president, Earl Brown, head football coach, and Happy Davis.

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THE ANNUAL business meeting of the Auburn Club of **Jacksonville, Florida**, was held on the evening of October 25 in Jacksonville's Seminole Hotel.

An election of officers was held, and the following members were elected to serve for the 1950 club year: Stuart H. Dent, '20, president; Wallace W. Allen, Jr., '43, vice-president; J. M. "Jack" Hutchinson, '48, secretary-treasurer; and D. L. Mead, '24, and Dr. James A. Acree, '46, members of the executive committee.

Members present at the business meeting were: Ann Welch, '42, Wallace Allen, Jr., '43; G. W. Whitmire, '47, J. M. "Jack" Hutchinson, '48, Jeff Faulkner, Jean Noll, Henry D. De Grove, '47, L. C. Owens, Jr., '48, and Mrs. Owens, the former Yvonne Wallace, '47.

Alice Heston, '48, Dick Peck, '43, M. A. Collins, '07, Dr. Tom Kennard, '49, Dr. J. P. Young, Jr., '45, Evans F. Slider, Jr., '46, Dr. J. O. Whidden, '45, W. L. Garlington, '27, Dr. James A. Acree, '46, D. L. Mead, '24, A. S. Leath, '24, Stuart H. Dent, '20, and Peggy Green.

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THE ACTIVE **Atlanta** Auburn Club held a meeting on February 15 to welcome Frank M. Malone, '28, into its membership. Mr. Malone, national president of the Auburn Alumni Association, has moved to Atlanta, where he serves Southern Bell as commercial manager. He had previously been Alabama manager of Southern Bell, with headquarters in Birmingham.

Representing A.P.I. at the Atlanta meeting were President Ralph Draughon, '22, Professor Charles R. Hixon, '07, and W. W. Hill, '97.

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## War Eagle!

AUBURN SPIRIT was at a peak on the evening of January 19, when the **Jefferson County** Auburn Club held its annual banquet at Birmingham's Thomas Jefferson Hotel in honor of the '49 Plainsman football squad.

More than 500 alumni and friends of Auburn were present at the gathering.

One of the high points of the evening's program was the presentation of a giant stuffed eagle to A.P.I. George A. Mattison, '19, made the presentation for the Jefferson County Club, with Wilbur Hutsell, Auburn athletic director, accepting it in behalf of the college.

The eagle has quite a history, as the following letter from Newton C. Smith, '98, reveals:

"The eagle was obtained by a good friend and hunting pal of mine, Mr. C. J. Kittrell, of Tarrant City, Alabama—a fine taxidermist who does such work as a sideline . . .

"The eagle was killed by a farmer near Forkland, Green County, Alabama, after getting a special permit from the chief game warden. The eagle proved himself to be a predator and destructive bird beyond his reputation and class . . . He began his depredations by carrying off young pigs, then growing chickens; then, to cap the climax, he made off with a young calf.

"The sentence of death was passed on Mr. Eagle, and the farmer killed him with one well-placed shot through the heart, from a .22 calibre rifle. The eagle was sent to Mr. Kittrell for mounting.

"When I learned the bird was for sale, all I had to do was 'tip off' my good friend and loyal Auburn alumnus, George A. Mattison, Jr., and he, with the assistance of Al Biggio, '26, immediate past president of the Jefferson County Club) and two other alumni, in face of many difficulties, got busy and had the big predator at the banquet for the presentation."

The eagle was not the only thing presented Auburn at the meeting. Seventeen watches were given graduating members of the football team, and the '49 team manager, Spud Wright. Presentation of the watches was made by Tom Hobart, '27, new president of the Jefferson County Club.

Al Biggio, retiring president, also was presented a watch by the club.

Principal talks were made by President Ralph Draughon and Head Football Coach Earl Brown.

New officers of the Jefferson County Auburn Club, in addition to Tom Hobart, are: G.

T. Nelson, '38, first vice-president; A. M. Pearson, '30, W. D. Allston, '28, Tres Feaster, '41, Alex Pate, '35, and Jimmy Brown, '46, vice-presidents; James Vance, '36, treasurer; and Virgil Rice, '42, secretary.

The club's executive committee had its first meeting on February 6, at which time plans for 1950 were discussed.

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THE AUBURN Club of **Mobile** will meet on February 28 for a showing of the Auburn-Alabama '49 football game film. The rally of alumni and Auburn friends will be held at the Civic Room of the Battle House Hotel, according to present plans.

A regular meeting at 7 p.m. will be followed by the movie at 8:30 p.m. All Auburn alumni, friends, and supporters are invited, and a special invitation is extended to parents of former or present Auburn students.

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THE AUBURN Club of **North Texas** plans to have a showing of the Auburn-Alabama '49 football game film at its early spring meeting. Further information upon the time and place of the meeting, which have not yet been decided, may be obtained from Mrs. Fay Hart Thomas, '45, 3209 Norwalk, Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Thomas is secretary of the club.

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THE AUBURN Club of **Kingsport, Tennessee**, held a meeting on February 3, at which the movie of the Auburn-Alabama '49 football game was shown.

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T. H. KUMMER, '31, is attempting to contact alumni in the **Milwaukee** and **Wisconsin** area so that Auburn men in this locale may get together for a dinner meeting. Mr. Kummer may be reached at the Cherry-Burrell Corporation, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. His phone number is Kilbourn 6250.

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# Auburn in February

## Band Concert

BAND Conductors P. R. Bidez and David A. Herbert are at it again. Having recuperated from the fast pace they set for themselves and their band at football games last fall, they're now ready to present a band concert, to be held February 28.

The concert will feature a program of classical and semi-classical music. The works to be presented include the first movement from Schubert's "Unfinished Symphony" and a medley of Jerome Kern songs.

Two more concerts are planned by the band for the spring quarter. Programs of more serious classical selections will be featured then.

## Symphony Performs

ONE OF THE SIX principal orchestras in America—the Cincinnati Symphony—performed at Auburn on February 14. The Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra is conducted by a young composer, Thor Johnson.

Auburn is one of the 40 cities in 12 states listed in the tour of the Cincinnati Symphony.

## Oak Ridge Open

DR. FRED Allison, dean of Auburn's Graduate School, announced in February that facilities of the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, are open to A.P.I. graduate students.

"When candidates for the master's degree here," he pointed out, "have completed their resident work, it is possible, by special arrangement, for them to go to Oak Ridge to do their research problems and prepare their theses."

Dean Allison also stated that, since Auburn is one of the sponsoring universities of the Institute of Nuclear Studies, it is possible for staff members to take advanced study there.

"Students may enter Oak Ridge through graduate fellowships, with stipends determined by the number of dependents they have and the level of work they are doing. Staff members may work in Oak Ridge on stipends commensurate with their range and salary," Dean Allison declared.

Arrangements for these fellowships are made between the Institute and Dean Allison's office.

## Bustin' Loose

IT WASN'T spring which "busted loose" at Auburn Tuesday, February 21. It was a junior class variety show produced by Jim Watson, versatile Auburn student. The show was called "Bustin' Loose," which it did.

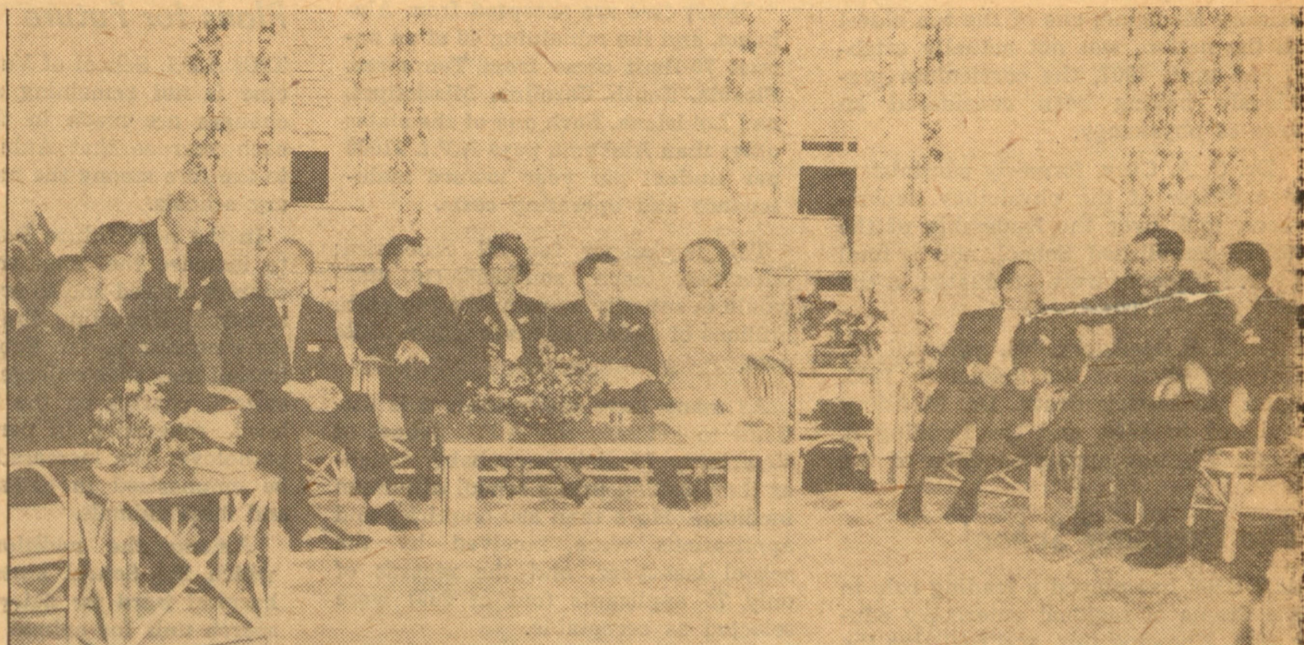
The show's title song, written by J. W. Thornton, was sung by a chorus line composed of eight girls. Background and music were furnished by the Dixie-Cats, a Dixieland jazz band which Watson deftly wove into the production's theme.

Barbershop quartets, "blackface tap dances," acrobatic acts, humorous folk songs delivered by Horace Ogden, '49, and other feature attractions afforded students two hours of side-splitting laughter.

According to Watson, representatives of the Army's Special Services Division are considering taking the show to the Canal Zone.

## King for a Day

DICK WADE, senior in building construction from Chattanooga, Tennessee, was crowned "King for a Day" at the Auburn Independent Organization's Ball on February 10. Dick, elected "King" on February 9, reigned for a day. He was accompanied to all of his classes by two co-



PRESIDENT Draughon greets the speakers who came to Auburn from all parts of the world for a week of "religious emphasis." Visitors were, left to right, Dr. T. Z. Koo, Dr. Claude U. Broach, (Dr.

Draughon), Dr. George A. Douglas, Father John Conway, Miss Nelle Morton, Dr. R. J. Seeger, Mrs. J. W. Hastings, Rabbi Eugene Blachschleger, Major Charles I. Carpenter, and Dr. J. Maurice Trimmer

ed secretaries and was chauffeured to all of his activities.

Proceeds from the "King for a Day" election are used by the AIO to finance a scholarship fund for worthy students.

## Military Ball

MARCH 10 and the Annual Military Ball, to be held then, are just around the corner, and Auburn's ROTC units have already named five of their "honorary captains."

The five already selected are Kathryn Jackson, Geneva, who will represent Battery "A," First Battalion; Sarah McKee, Montgomery, Company "E," Second Battalion; Bette Clair Pollard, Mobile, Company "H," Third Battalion; Louise Sanford, Prattville, Squadron "D," Air Group; and Anne Mattmuller, Mobile, Special Drill Company.

## Chimes??

DURING Religious Emphasis Week, January 22-29, a set of amplified chimes appeared on the campus. The chimes seem to have been so favorably accepted that Squires, sophomore honor society, is pushing a drive to purchase an artificial bell machine for Samford Tower.

Squires' fund campaign for chimes has already begun, and campus contributions are being accepted.

## Faculty Organizes

MEMBERS of the A.P.I. faculty held an organizational meeting on January 25 to elect officers and committees. The officers and committees were commissioned to draw a constitution and proceed with establishment of a long-discussed faculty club.

Frank B. Davis, member of the English department's faculty, was elected president. Other temporary officers include W. A. Ruffin, '23, extension agronomist, vice-president; Ruth Wilson, assistant dean of women, secretary; and Dr. James E. Greene, '33, professor of veterinary medicine, F. E. Guyton, professor of entomology, and T. D. Stevens, head professor of forestry, members of the board of directors.

In addition to a committee on constitution and by-laws, bodies were set up on membership, finances, Alumni Association coordination, and building location.

One of the club's objectives will be aiding in completion of plans already begun by the Alumni Association for construction of a building housing the alumni organization and faculty club facilities.

## Commencement

AN ADVANCE glance at the calendar shows that March 16 will be the day upon which hundreds of Auburn men and women get their sheepskins.

Plans for commencement have not yet been completed, and therefore we are able only to give notice of the big date.

## Help! Help!

"WE NEED some help," said O. C. Prather, '09, when he called the Alumni Office last month.

"We've located every member of the class of 1909 except four men," he added. "And we need some help from alumni in finding them."

The four "missing" alumni are Joe L. Edwards, R. T. Carter, William T. Owen, Jr., and Robin B. Robinson. If you know the addresses of these alumni, please notify the Alumni Office.

## Dunstan Portrait

ETA KAPPA NU, honorary electrical engineering fraternity, plans to place a portrait of Dr. A. S. C. Dunstan, '89, in Wilmore Laboratory.

Eta Kappa Nu alumni interested in contributing toward this project should forward their gifts to Eta Kappa Nu, Post Office Box 1004, Auburn.



NANCY Salvo, of Birmingham, a member of Phi Mu sorority, was selected 1950 Auburn "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" from a field of many attractive contestants at the Sigma Chi Derby, February 4



# The School of Veterinary Medicine

THE AUBURN veterinary medicine curriculum has contributed enormously to veterinary progress during the past half-century. Auburn's School of Veterinary Medicine, one of the ten oldest in the nation, was not actually established until 1907, the curriculum previously having been considered an area of physiology.

Dr. C. A. Cary, formerly administrative officer of the physiology department, took over the leadership of the newly established School, and a total of five students were graduated in the first class—1909.

Dr. I. S. McAdory, '04, followed Dr. Cary as dean of the School in 1935, upon the latter's death. Dr. McAdory resigned in 1940, and Dr. Redding S. Sugg, '14, was appointed dean of the School.

## The Regional School

AUBURN has played a leading role in the drama of regional veterinary education. Knowing this, and realizing the progressive effect of Auburn's long drive for higher ideals in the veterinary medicine field, other southeastern colleges and universities have selected Alabama Polytechnic Institute the major regional veterinary school.

The additional southeastern regional schools of veterinary medicine, all of which are now in the process of formation, are located at the University of Georgia, Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, and Tuskegee Institute.

Under a new plan upon which the late President L. N. Duncan, '00, and President Ralph Draughon, '22, did pioneer work, Auburn as a regional

school in veterinary medicine accepts students from other states on a quota basis.

Thirty-five are accepted from Alabama, and the remaining 40 of an annual 75-limit come from Tennessee, Florida, South Carolina, Mississippi, and Louisiana. Each one of the states other than Alabama pays A.P.I. \$1000 per student per year toward maintenance and operating costs.

This is cheaper for all concerned; otherwise, each southeastern state would eventually be compelled to place millions of dollars in a vet school of its own.

As many have discovered, it is difficult to get into the A.P.I. School of Veterinary Medicine—probably tougher than getting into a school of human medicine. More than 800 enquiries and applications were received by the school last year, and the records of only 75 applicants (out of 235) were selected as acceptable.

## Curriculum

MORE students have graduated from the School of Veterinary Medicine during the past ten years than during the previous 31 years of its history. And this, in the face of a lengthened course of study.

Where the first students were required to study only three years, today's potential veterinarians must take a stiff six-year course of study—two years of pre-veterinary studies and four years of veterinary medicine.

And where the principal areas of concentration at first included only diseases of horses, today the student must delve into tens of other phases, such as small animal surgery and medicine, all types of cattle and animal diseases; for verification of the claimed roughness of today's curricula, just contact a veterinary student.

"More stress is laid on public health and control of diseases communicable to man, such as tuberculosis and parrot fever," Dean Sugg added.

He went on to list the various fields open to veterinary medicine graduates: a) bacteriology and pathology work with municipal boards of health and experiment stations, b) college teaching and research work in federal and state experimental laboratories, c) commercial biological laboratory work, d) general and specialized practice, e) enforcing of livestock sanitary and quarantine laws and prevention of the spread of animal diseases, f) municipal and state food, meat, and milk inspection, g) U. S. Bureau of Animal In-

dustrial work, h) U. S. Army activities, i) superintending dairies and livestock farms.

## Plans for Future

THE A.P.I. School of Veterinary Medicine is not remaining stationary, for changes are made in the curriculum each year so that Auburn may keep to the fore among the nation's veterinary schools.

In the near future Dean Sugg plans to increase the number of graduate courses offered and to provide for more research. Expecting the facilities and staff necessary, the School's administration may soon enlarge the clinic and expand courses on the undergraduate level, especially in parasitology and pathology. The increased research will be emphasized in disease of poultry and farm animals.

Among the additional facilities which the School anticipates are a hospital ward for dairy cattle, a research unit for animal diseases, and an anatomy laboratory for dissecting purposes.

Present plant of the School, which was at one time housed in a wooden structure, now across from Drake Infirmary, includes Cary Hall, a modernly equipped building, the Old Veterinary Building, recently given a facelift, the Serum Plant Building, and numerous barns. A small animal building will be completed within the next 60 days for the department of small animal surgery and medicine.

## Students and Faculty

NINE HUNDRED eighty-one students have graduated from the School of Veterinary Medicine since 1909. Two hundred fifty students were last year majoring in veterinary medicine.

During the college year the School of Veterinary Medicine offers service courses for almost twice that number of students from other schools on the campus, such as Home Economics, Pharmacy, Agriculture, Engineering, Chemistry, and Science and Literature.

A total of 20 faculty members, two of whom work only part-time in the School itself, teach these 736 students. These staffers compose the six academic departments of the School: anatomy and histology, physiology and therapeutics, bacteriology, pathology and parasitology, large animal surgery and medicine, and small animal surgery and medicine.

## The Dean

REDDING Stancil Sugg, dean of the School of Veterinary Medicine, spent his boyhood in Tarboro, North Carolina, and from there went to North Carolina State College in 1910. After three years at North Carolina State he came to A.P.I., and here obtained his B.S. in 1914.

The following year he received his doctorate in veterinary medicine and entered general practice at Washington, North Carolina, for a year, after which period he returned to Auburn as an instructor of bacteriology and pathology.

A lieutenant colonel with the U. S. Army Veterinary Corps during World War I, Dean Sugg came back to the A.P.I. School of Veterinary Medicine



AS DEAN of the A.P.I. School of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. R. S. Sugg is also Alabama state veterinarian

in 1919 and resigned in 1931 to become animal husbandman with the A.P.I. Extension Service. He was appointed dean of the School in 1940.

Dean Sugg's memberships include the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), the U. S. Livestock Association, the Alabama Veterinary Medical Association, the Association of Military Surgeons, Alpha Psi, Epsilon Sigma Phi, Phi Kappa Phi, the Masons, and the Auburn Kiwanis Club.

Few people realize that the dean of the Auburn School of Veterinary Medicine is also State Veterinarian. As veterinarian for the state of Alabama, Dean Sugg does investigative and control work on contagious diseases, enforces livestock regulations, maintains a diagnostic lab, and carries on many other vital activities.

## The School Serves

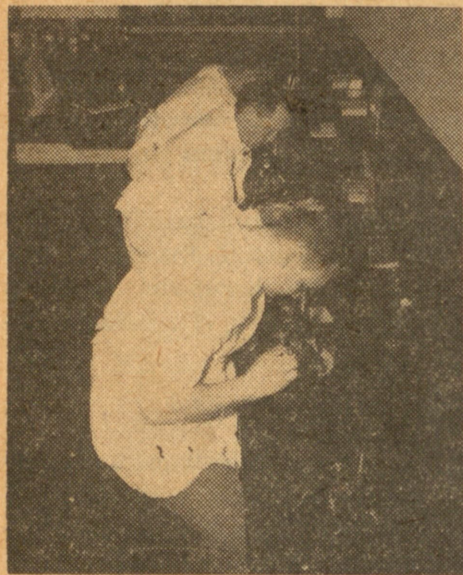
IN ADDITION to the valuable extra-curricular work which the School executes as headquarters for the State Veterinarian, many other services are rendered Alabamians by the veterinary staff of A.P.I.

For example, both the large and small animal departments operate clinics for diseased or wounded animals brought to "Vet Hill" from all parts of the state. A survey shows that in 1948-49, the large animal ambulatory clinic, which travels over the state, treated 2589 cattle and 1310 swine!

With the added equipment, facilities, and staff members which it expects, the School of Veterinary Medicine will be able to render even more services for the people of the state which it benefits—and for the people of the many other southern states which it helps under the regional plan.



THIS building, which once stood on West Magnolia where Ramsay has been built, housed the first Auburn labs in veterinary medicine. The frame structure is now across the street from Drake Infirmary, on Magnolia



THESE veterinary medicine students do extracurricular work for the small animal clinic in Cary Hall's modern parasitology laboratory



A PIECE of the School of Veterinary Medicine's valuable equipment is a microprojector, a visual aid which projects enlarged pictures on a screen. Dr. D. S. Folse, standing in the center, operates the projector

**Instruction, extension, research**—Through these three means Auburn seeks to implant truth in the minds of men: truth about agriculture, architecture and the arts, chemistry, education, engineering, home economics, pharmacy, veterinary medicine, and many phases of science and literature. For Auburn is dedicated to the purpose of giving its students, its future alumni, a good foundation in these fields.



# Research - Instruction - Extension

## Looking Ahead Together

By P. O. Davis, '16, Director

A.P.I. Agricultural Extension Service

LAST month we wrote about "The Score at the Half." A major fact presented was that at the mid-century there are twice as many people in the United States as in 1900, and the per capita consumption of goods is now at a rate two and a half times what it was then—a total of five times as many goods.

This raises a big question for every individual, for every business, and each educational institution, and for the state and nation as a whole. That question is: What will the score be in the year 2000?

Will the rate of increase for the last half of this century be the same as the first, giving us 300 million people? And again two and one half times as much per person?

An editor friend, who has traveled widely, was in England recently. After returning to his home in Philadelphia he wrote me that he doubts if England, under any form of government which it may have, can get back to the standard of living it had before the last war. This is a jolt.

After reading this letter I said to myself: "Will England affect us? Will their ideas, philosophies, and ways spread into the United States and be applied?"

### The Tennessee Valley

## Experiment Substation

By Fred Stewart, '11, Superintendent

A.P.I. Tennessee Valley Experiment Substation

THE Tennessee Valley Substation is one of the five original branch stations established by the 1927 Alabama Legislature. It has been in operation since January, 1929. In the main, this station was established for the purpose of serving farmers of the Limestone Valleys in North Alabama.

From the beginning, it was felt that too much of the land in the Tennessee Valley was devoted to the production of livestock. The small acreage devoted to livestock production was due in part to the very low per acre production of feed in this area. Therefore, this station started a number of experiments designed to solve the problem of low feed production.

Results of a number of years of experimental work with various forage and pasture crops, including some small grain rotations, very definitely proved that this section of Alabama could produce feed in competition with almost any section of the United States.

For example, it was found that four tons of alfalfa hay per acre could be produced by the proper use of lime and fertilizer; good permanent pastures could be established; and fall, winter, and spring grazing could be produced in abundance by using crimson clover and rye grass.

It was also found that by following good practices, yields comparable to those in the Midwestern States could be obtained. For example: 60 bushels of grain sorghum, 75 bushels of oats, and 50 bushels of corn per acre were not unusual yields.

After solving a number of problems in connection with feed production in this area, three farming sys-

tems were set up on a farm-size scale for the purpose of making practical application of the information that had been worked out on a smaller scale.

The first system set up was a dairy-hog unit. By following the feed production system worked out earlier, an average of 6300 pounds of milk per cow per year was produced on forage alone. The cows were given no harvested feed except 1500 pounds of alfalfa hay fed only during severe winter weather. This clearly indicates that milk produced under this system can be sold in competition with that sold in any part of the country.

As stated previously, small grains were used in this system. The grain was fed to hogs that had access to good alfalfa or crimson clover pastures. The hogs were produced at a cost that would permit farmers to compete with any part of the Corn Belt in pork production.

In 1946, pastures were established on creek bottom land for the purpose of setting up some beef cattle units. The information acquired in earlier years was used as a basis for establishing these pastures.

Results obtained from three years work with steers on these pastures indicate clearly that beef can be produced in the Tennessee Valley at such low cost that even on this relatively high-priced land it may be produced profitably. It was found that more than 500 pounds of beef per acre per year could be produced on these lands. The per acre income from beef production would compare very favorably with income received from a like acreage planted in cotton.

## More Grants - In - Aid

By Dr. Fred Allison, Dean

A.P.I. Graduate School

NINE additional grant-in-aid awards have recently been made to faculty members in support of research activities. Prior to these grants, as reported in the January issue of *Alumnews*, 18 such awards had been assigned to faculty applicants since the establishment of the grant-in-aid program somewhat more than a year ago.

This means that 27 different research projects are now under way, thanks to this program. Something new, stimulating, and potentially of far reaching importance has been made available to our faculty in these funds provided by the administration for the promotion of original investigations.

Such investigations as a rule are already in progress and require for their completion financial assistance not exceeding several hundred dollars, depending upon the nature of the problem. As the 27 different problems announced in this column indicate, these grants have been allocated to practically every area of learning of the College, both science and liberal arts divisions.

Because of the careful scrutiny which the research committee gives each application before making recommendations to the dean of the Graduate School and to the president for approval, the awards represent recognition of merit on the part of the recipient, a recognition which is no doubt often reflected in an enlivened interest in investigative techniques among his students.

The names of the nine grantees and their respective problems are given below.

1. Professor Norman A. Brittin

"The Canon of Thomas Middleton's Work"

2. Professor William B. Bunker

"A Characterization of the Alcoholic Insoluble Fraction of Sorghum Wax"

3. Professor W. R. Patrick and Director Clyde H. Cantrell

"A Bibliography of Theses Written on Southern Literary Culture through December, 1948"

4. Professor Edgar C. Glyde

"The Evaluation of Violin and Viola Techniques Combined with the Fundamentals of Music"

5. Professor Melvin L. Greenhut

"An Analysis of the Economic Forces Affecting the Location of Industry in Alabama Since World War II"

6. Professor B. F. Hoerlein

"The Evaluation of Various Chemical Treatments of Soil Infected with Dog Hookworm Larvae (*Ancylostoma caninum*)"

7. Professor David H. Malone

"Influence of Arthur Rimbaud and Jules Laforgue on American Poetry"

8. Professor Robert T. McMillan

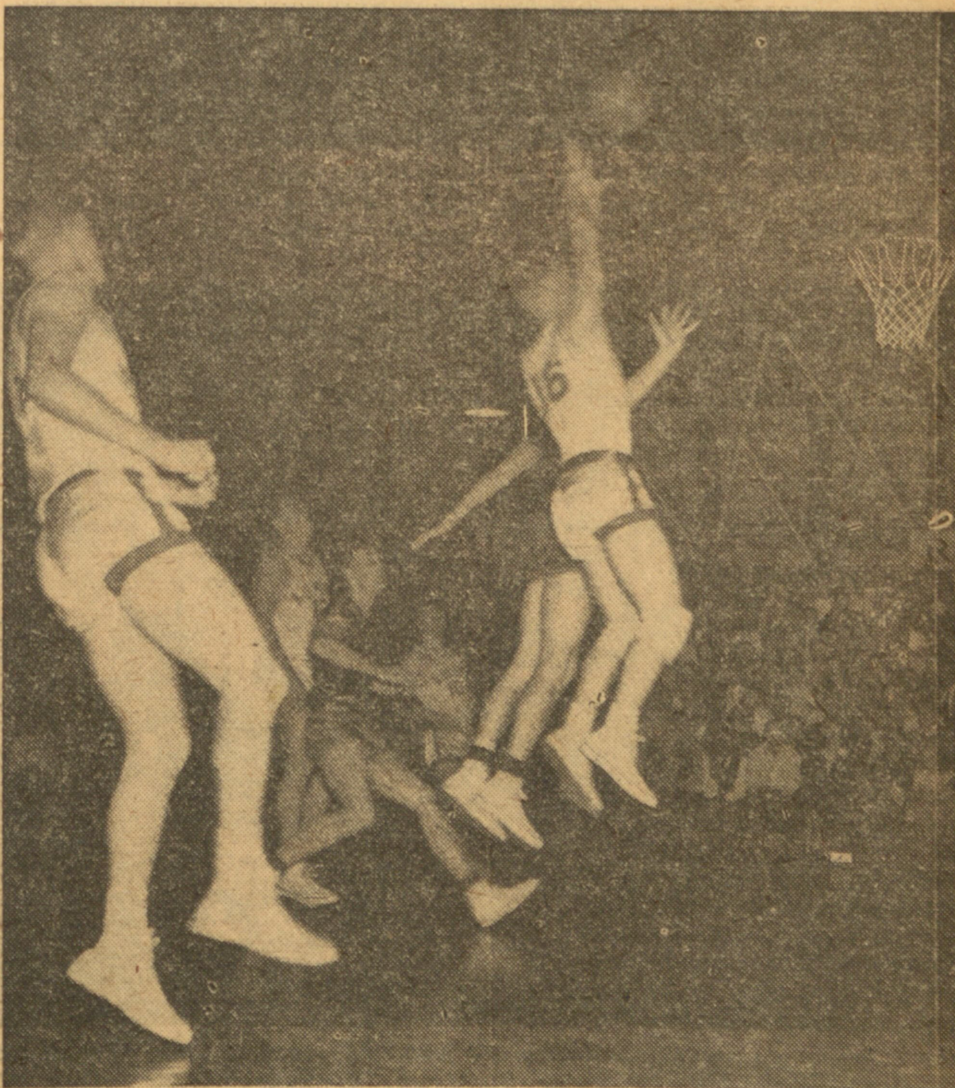
"Social and Economic Aspects of the Amount and Distribution of Gross Farm Income Among Farm Operators in Alabama"

9. Professor Telfair B. Peet

"A Portable Stage Setting and Lighting System"



Dean Allison



JACK Glasgow (16), forward for the Plainsmen, sinks a two-pointer in the 70-66 defeat administered LSU's

Bengals at Auburn on February 4. In left foreground is George Hill. "Sports in Brief" appears on the next page



# Sports in Brief

## Schedules

### 1950 Baseball Schedule

When	Who	Where
March 20	Tampa U.	Bartow
March 21	Fla. Southern	Bartow
March 22	Rollins Coll.	Bartow
March 24 and 25	Florida	Gainesville
March 31	Mercer	Auburn
April 1	Mercer	Macon
April 7 and 8	Georgia	Auburn
April 11	Open	
April 14 and 15	Georgia Tech	Auburn
April 21 and 22	Georgia	Athens
April 26 and 27	Florida	Auburn
May 3-4	Alabama	Auburn
May 5-6	Georgia Tech	Atlanta
May 12-13	Alabama	Tuscaloosa
May 15-16	Vanderbilt	Nashville
May 19-20	Vanderbilt	Auburn

### 1950 Track Schedule

When	Who	Where
March 25	Florida Relays	Gainesville
April 1	Miss. State	Auburn
April 8	South. Relays	Birmingham
April 15	Georgia	Auburn
April 22	Alabama	Tuscaloosa
April 29	Florida	Auburn
May 13	Georgia Tech	Atlanta
May 19 and 20	SEC Meet	Birmingham
May 27	Inter-Conference Meet	Atlanta

### 1950 Football Schedule

(Featured again for convenience of alumni)

When	Who	Where
Sept. 22*	Wofford	Montgomery
Sept. 30	Vanderbilt	Nashville
Oct. 7	SE La. College	Auburn
Oct. 14	Florida	Gainesville
Oct. 21	Georgia Tech	Atlanta
Oct. 28	Tulane	Auburn
Nov. 4	Miss. State	Starkville
Nov. 18	Georgia	Columbus
Nov. 25**	Clemson	Auburn
Dec. 2	Alabama	Birmingham

\* Night Game

\*\* Homecoming Game

### More About Track

ATHLETIC Director Wilbur Hutsell begins his 29th consecutive year as track coach at the Plains. Coach Hutsell came to Auburn in 1921 and has since produced four national champions, three Olympic entries, and his runners have held two world's records.

The Plains trackmen will be captained this year by William "Whitey" Overton, brilliant distance runner from Montgomery who is SEC champion miler and two-miler. His alternate is Tillman B. "Dickie" Flournoy, SEC titleholder in the 880-yard run.

### Fifteen Won . . .

. . . AND four lost, so reads the phenomenal record of Auburn's spirited hoopsters, who, before their second game with Vanderbilt, had risen to top place in the SEC. Having lost only to

Vanderbilt, Georgia Tech, and LSU, the Plainsmen hold on to Place Number Three in SEC ranking.

The Plainsmen cagers have won this season from Birmingham-Southern (twice), Howard (twice), University of Alabama (twice), Ole Miss (twice), Troy, Mississippi State (twice), Florida, LSU, Georgia and Tulane.

### Vandy Wins Twice

On January 21 Vanderbilt's quintet gave the Plainsmen a preview of what it takes to hold top place in the SEC by scoring 58 points to Auburn's 47.

The Plainsmen received their second defeat in 11 starts as the Commodores exhibited a smooth floor game and accurate basket eyes.

By halftime, Vanderbilt had piled up a 30-18 lead, and at the end of the game the Vandy cagers still had their 12-point lead.

Bill Lynn, of Auburn, outpointed all other players with 18 marks and took individual scoring honors in the fast-moving battle. Vanderbilt's chief scorer, Billy Joe Adcock, was held to five points in the second half because of the alert defensive play of Plainsmen defensive stalwarts such as Don Lanford.

By the time its second game with Vanderbilt rolled around on February 6, Auburn held first place in the SEC. But Vanderbilt, capitalizing on Auburn's slow start, jumped to a 17-5 lead within the first eight minutes and stayed ahead to win, 61-53.

The Commodores increased their margin to 21 points in the second period, before the Plainsmen regained their hoop rating. Dwight Hitt sparked a late rally which cut Auburn's deficit to eight points.

Hitt's 11 markers were high for Auburn. Captain Bill Lynn was held to only six points.

### 'Bama Loses Again

In its second season basketball game with Auburn, held at Tuscaloosa on January 28, 'Bama lost to the tune of 66-58. The first Auburn-'Bama game of the season ended 45-40, in Auburn's favor.

Jack Glasgow, six-foot junior forward from Spruce Pine, starred in the second 'Bama game, teaming up with veteran Guard Don Lanford to pace sizzling play throughout the periods.

At the end of the first five minutes of play, Auburn led 18-3. George Hill, Bill Lynn, and Don Lanford hogged the backboards all the way. Glasgow, with 15 points, tied 'Bama's McKenzie for individual scoring honors, with Hill, Lynn, and Lanford racking up 12 each.

The Plainsmen poured 25 of 57 attempted field goals through the nets for a 44 per cent average as they ran up the largest score of the season against the 'Bama squad.

Auburn plays Alabama again on February 18, while this issue of the *Alumnews* is coming off the press.

### Take Mississippi by Storm

In a fast cross-state move, the Plainsmen defeated Ole Miss at Oxford on January 30, 77-63, then returned home to take Mississippi State, February 1, 65-60, in a second game.

The win over Mississippi State gave Auburn Number One spot in the SEC, a position held until the February 6 Vandy game.

The Mississippi State Maroons jumped to an early lead, and it took the Tigers 15 minutes to catch up. A free throw by George Hill tied things at 18-all, but the lead changed hands three times before Dwight Hitt hit the hoops to put Auburn permanently ahead.

Captain Bill Lynn, with 20 points, held top-scoring honors in the game.

### LSU Loses, Wins

Auburn won over LSU's quintet on February 4, 70-66, then lost to the Bengals, 51-76, in a February 13 game at Baton Rouge.

In the first LSU game, Bill Lynn led the Auburn effort with a sensational hook shot exhibition that netted him 27 points. Guard Dwight Hitt came through with the pressure on to make good two free throws and give the Plainsmen their game-winning points.

The lead changed 20 times in the course of the first LSU battle.

A six-game losing streak behind them, the LSU Bengals took their second game with Auburn, February 13, in Baton Rouge, by a score of 76-51. Captain Bill Lynn was high scorer in this second LSU tilt, racking up 21 points.

Jack Glasgow sparked a late rally and racked up 14 markers for the Plainsmen.

Auburn's star guard, Don Lanford, did not see action against the Bengal quintet in this second game.

### Georgia and Tulane

Before going down in the second LSU game, the Plainsmen stopped Georgia in Auburn on February 9, 67-54, and Tulane in New Orleans on February 11, 64-60.

Bill Lynn was again high scorer in the Georgia game, with 17 points to his credit. George Hill stood second, with 15 markers garnered.

Star of the Tulane tilt was Don Lanford, who scored 22 points. Tulane jumped to an early lead, but the Plainsmen rallied and were never headed, although pushed repeatedly.

The remaining basketball games are after the February 18 Alabama game and the February 20 Florida game:

February 22	Georgia Tech	Auburn
February 25	Georgia	Athens

### The Grapplers

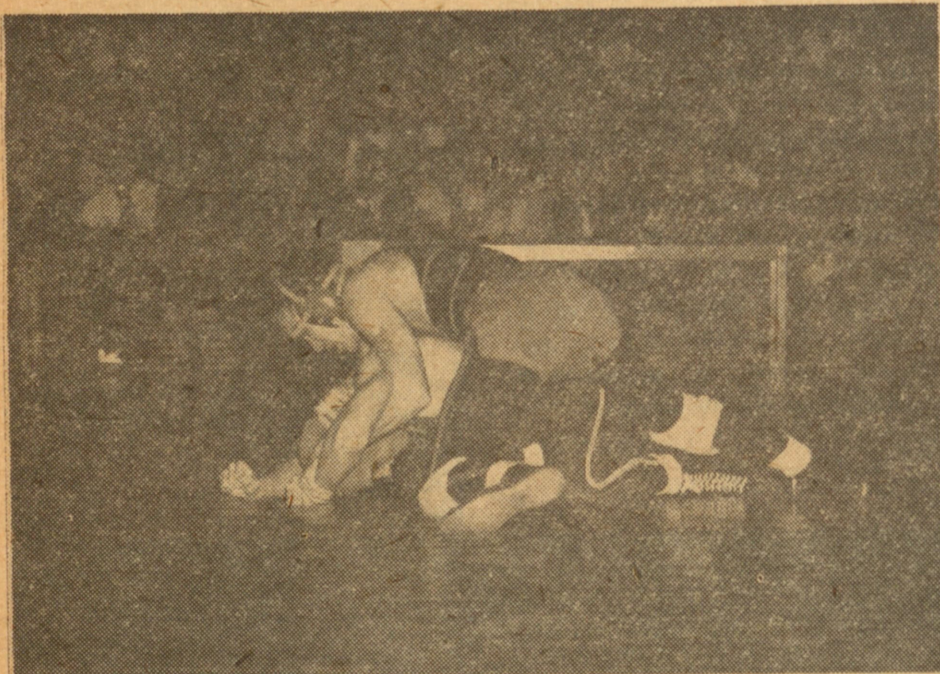
UNDER the studious tutelage of Coach Arnold "Swede" Umbach, Auburn's matmen have won over Vanderbilt, Emory, Georgia Tech, and Maryville, and have tied Washington and Lee.

Steamrolling over Vanderbilt, 31-3, the wrestlers have lost only to Appalachian State Teachers College, 5-28. Emory fell, 34-0; Georgia Tech dropped under the Plainsmen, 24-8; and Maryville was vanquished, 22-8.

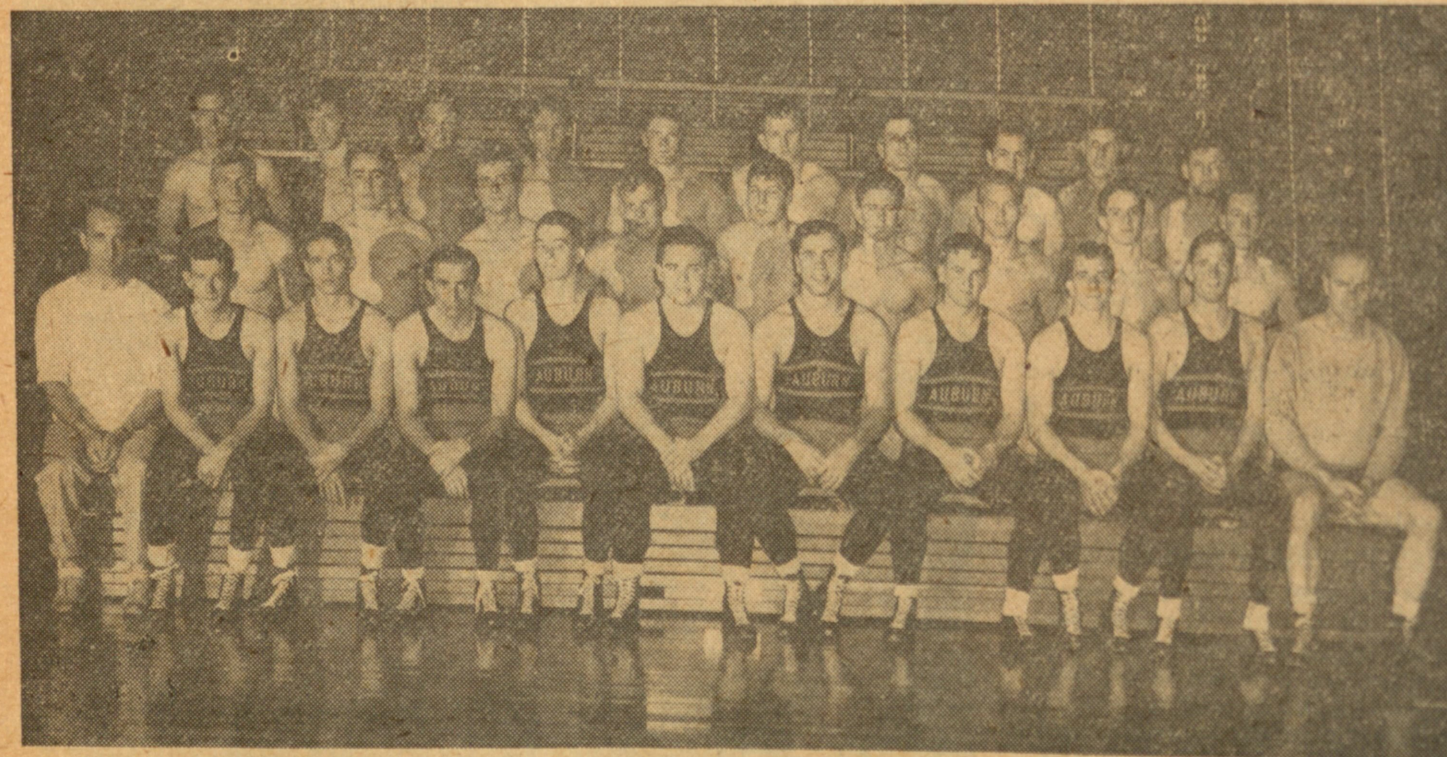
The Plainsmen held Washington and Lee to a 16-16 draw. Stocky Dan Mantrone has a clean slate for the entire season, having won the 175-pound events in each contest.

Auburn will meet Chattanooga in a home match on February 18, while this issue of the *Alumnews* is on the press. Remaining matches are:

February 25	Georgia Tech	Auburn
March 3-4	SEAAU	Auburn



SONNY Dragoin pins Paul Weill, of Washington and Lee, on February 4 in the 128-pound class. Dragoin used a half nelson and reverse crotch. He pinned Weill in four minutes, seven seconds. Plainsmen tied WL, 16-16



MEMBERS of Auburn's outstanding '50 wrestling squad are, front row, left to right, Martineck, assistant coach, McGill (121), Dragoin (128), Belfonti (136), Long (165), Mantrone (175), Brnilovich (hvy), Bottoms (175), Baker (155), McKenzie (136), Coach Umbach; second row, left to right, Cresap (128), Owens (136), Wilcox

(155), Borum (155), Gist (165), Shaul (128), Johns (145), Latham (121), and Bonner (121); back row, from left to right, Overstreet (136), Gay (136), Spivey (145), Clardy (165), Grant (175), McNair (hvy), Wilson (175), Davis (155), Hamilton (165), and Pitts (145). A member of the squad, Mantrone, has an unbeaten record



# Active and Proposed Alumni Clubs

## Inside Alabama

### Calhoun County—

A. S. Mathews, '39  
County Agent's Office  
Anniston, Alabama

### Chilton County—

Mace R. Glasscock, '41  
Clanton, Alabama

### Covington County—

Robert E. Martin, '30  
Andalusia, Alabama

### Crenshaw County—

V. S. Summerlin  
Luverne, Alabama

### Cullman County—

George H. Lehnert, '38  
P. O. Box. 258  
Cullman, Alabama

### Dallas County—

W. Byrd Lee, III, '47  
P. O. Box 64  
Selma, Alabama

### DeKalb County—

R. C. Christopher, '21  
Fort Payne, Alabama

### Elmore County—

Clyde A. Pruitt, '25  
Tallassee, Alabama

### Etowah County—

Ed A. Taylor, '39  
847 Oakview Street  
Gadsden, Alabama

### Franklin County—

Ed H. Woods, '23  
Russellville, Alabama

### Jackson County—

Harry Campbell, '39  
Section, Alabama

### Jefferson County—

Tom Hobart, '27  
P. O. Box 1390  
Birmingham, Alabama

### Lauderdale County—

Fred Osborn, '22  
1025 Jackson Road  
Florence, Alabama

### Lawrence County—

L. H. Little, '37  
Moulton, Alabama

### Lee County—

Joe Sarver, Jr., '37  
Auburn, Alabama

### Louisville—

R. S. Whigham, '25  
Louisville, Alabama

### Madison County—

Charles O'Reilly, '40  
Times Building  
Huntsville, Alabama

### Mobile County—

Kenneth Giddens, '31  
P. O. Box 1101  
Mobile, Alabama

### Monroe County—

B. H. Stallworth, '39  
P. O. Drawer 551  
Monroeville, Alabama

### Montgomery County—

Frank Tennille, Jr., '34  
44 Country Club Drive  
Montgomery, Alabama

### Morgan County—

William J. Duncan, '43  
Country Club Road  
Decatur, Alabama

### Pike County—

John G. Greene, '29  
P. O. Box 318  
Troy, Alabama

### Sylacauga—

Billy L. Mann, '47  
102 East Ft. Williams St.  
Sylacauga, Alabama

### Talladega—

Jack Stewart, '35  
Route 1  
Talladega, Alabama

## Tuscaloosa (University)—

A. Bernard Jordan, '50  
P. O. Box 1741  
University, Alabama

## Walker County—

Carl Hare, '21  
Jasper, Alabama

## Valley—

Cleveland Adams, '32  
West Point, Georgia

## Outside Alabama

### Atlanta—

Marion Talley, '34  
3934 Powers F'y. Rd NW  
Atlanta, Georgia

### Augusta—

Dr. James M. Shuler, '45  
1711 Gwinnett Street  
Augusta, Georgia

### Charlotte, N. C.—

Andrew B. Morrison, '42  
% Gen. Electric Co.  
Charlotte, North Carolina

### Columbia, S.C.—

(Auburn Carolina Club)  
Sam C. Dreyfus, '08  
P. O. Drawer 5185  
Columbia, South Carolina

### Columbus and Phenix City—

Charles T. Dudley, '23  
P. O. Box 136  
Columbus, Georgia

### Dallas, Texas—

L. P. Whorton, '33  
3615 Greenbrier Drive  
Dallas, Texas

## Denver, Colorado—

Wilmot C. Rhodes, '49  
2500 Albion Street  
Denver, Colorado

## Houston, Texas—

George Lanier, '34  
902 Scanlon Bldg.  
Houston 2, Texas

## Central Mississippi—

William E. Rogers, '32  
638 Choctaw Road  
Jackson 33, Mississippi

## Jacksonville, Florida—

Stuart H. Dent, '20  
3427 Oak Street  
Jacksonville, Florida

## Jackson County, Florida—

Ralph C. Carlisle, '10  
P. O. Box 274  
Sneads, Florida

## Kingsport, Tennessee—

Dr. George E. Eason, '42  
2342 Johnson City Hwy.  
Kingsport, Tennessee

## Chattanooga, Tennessee—

Ralph J. Thomas, '49  
3110 East 31st Street  
Chattanooga, Tennessee

## Knoxville, Tennessee—

Harold K. Glisson, '48  
McC Campbell Lane  
Knoxville, Tennessee

## Lindale, Georgia—

E. Russell Moulton, '24  
Box 48  
Lindale, Georgia

## Heart of Georgia—

Samuel R. Shi, '07  
2796 Hillcrest  
Macon, Georgia

## Memphis, Tennessee

G. Drennen Albrecht, '28  
Municipal Airport  
Memphis, Tennessee

## Meridian, Mississippi—

L. G. Gresham, '05  
P. O. Box 310  
Meridian, Mississippi

## Greater Miami—

Col. F. C. McAlpine, '00  
P. O. Box 1842  
Miami, Florida

## Milwaukee, Wisconsin—

T. A. Kummer, '31  
Cherry-Burrell Corp.  
3002 West Burleigh St.  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

## Nashville, Tennessee—

Dr. B. N. Lauderdale, '47  
2913 Gallatin Road  
Nashville, Tennessee

## New Orleans, Louisiana—

Dr. Walter E. Brewer, '24  
1713 Carondelet  
New Orleans, Louisiana

## New York, New York—

Carl Wideberg, '20  
Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co.  
32 Avenue of Americas  
New York 13, New York

## Orlando, Florida—

Marcus Moore, '30  
45 North Main Street  
Orlando, Florida

## Pensacola, Florida—

Guy M. Spearman, '14  
P. O. Box 1549  
Pensacola, Florida

## Philadelphia, Pennsylvania—

Dr. D. Dallas Ruch, '38  
Keller's Church, Penna.

## Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania—

H. S. McCreary, Jr., '47  
1317 Elm Street  
Pittsburgh 21, Penna.

## San Antonio, Texas—

Major Elmer A. Jones, '37  
Fourth Army Area  
Medical Laboratory  
Brooke Army Med. Ctr.  
Ft. Sam Houston, Texas

## San Francisco, California—

Fred P. Richardson, '40  
Food Machinery Corp.  
461 Market Street  
Room 301  
San Francisco 5, Calif.

## Schenectady, New York—

C. D. Elledge, '32  
Ind. Div., Gen. Electric  
Schenectady, New York

## Southern California—

Edgar L. Payne, '36  
4678 Banner Drive  
Long Beach, California

## St. Louis, Missouri—

Cyrus E. Reid, '21  
411 North 7th Street  
St. Louis 1, Missouri

## Shreveport, Louisiana—

Billy D. Barton, '43  
124 Robinson Place  
Shreveport, Louisiana

## Tampa, Florida—

T. J. Miles, '11  
P. O. Box 1274  
Tampa, Florida

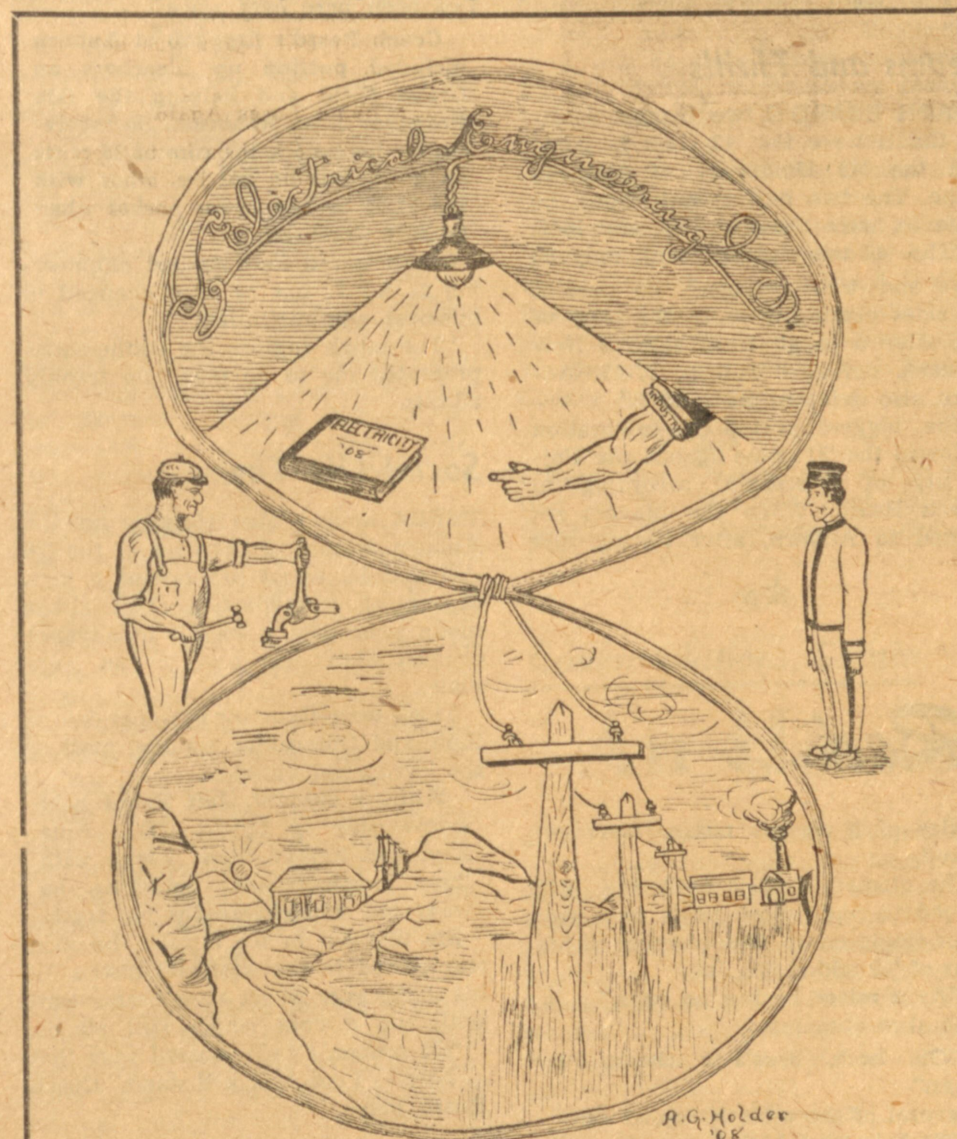
## Tokyo-Yokohama, Japan— (Far East)

Lt. Col. Carl Warren, '36  
G-3, GHI, FEC  
APO 500, %PM  
San Francisco, Calif.

## Washington, D. C.—

William Greene, '41  
413 South Wayne Street  
Arlington, Virginia

## Do You Remember?



THIS DRAWING, made four decades ago by **Alumnus Allen Glover Holder, '08**, is believed to have appeared in the old **Orange and Blue**, which is today called the **Plainsman**. The drawing's timeliness is amazing, for it depicts two phases of an Auburn electrical engineering student's life: study and cadetship, which train him for a promising future. And today, even though cadetship has changed to ROTC and NROTC, these two phases still exist. Alumnus Holder now resides in Lucedale, Mississippi. Oh—incidentally, this reproduction is made from an engraving **42 years old!**



# Alumnus of the Month

LAST December, when members of the Southeastern Conference Business Managers Association got together in Biloxi, Mississippi, to elect officers for 1950, they thought long and hard about the selection of their top executive.

After deliberation they chose an Auburn man for their presidency—one of the most strategic posts in the 12-college SEC business set-up.

Business managers are like secretaries of clubs—they do a lot of unsung, painstaking work, and only once in a coon's age is the work recognized. Especially is this true of athletic business managers in American colleges and universities.

Their popularity and the number of their friendly acquaintances vacillate with the change of seasons. In late summer institutional athletic business managers receive more fan mail than do most movie stars after the release of a good picture. In late winter their mail has usually dwindled to a few sarcastic notes from a few unsatisfied and obstreperous people.

However, Auburn alumni and friends recognize Coach Beard's astute qualities and the capable manner in which he handles his difficult tasks. Thus, they number him among their friends.

In the way of public contacts college athletic business managers comprise a group which can make or break the standing of an institution of higher learning. It is one of their vital duties to shake hands with a man unseen, unheard from in a decade, and say familiarly, "Hello, John, how's your wife Joan and your son, John, Jr."

## Expert at Psychology

AUBURN has no one more expert at this than Jeff Beard, '32, who has been serving the college as Athletic Association business manager since 1944, and as assistant track coach since 1937.

Perhaps Jeff's success can be attributed to his repertoire of interesting stories about Auburn. You may expect, once this six-foot, three-inch tall giant gets you seated in his office, to hear some of the most amusing and interesting stories about Auburn ever told.

For instance, there was the '42 football game against Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

"It had been raining for some time up in that section, and the sky gave way all the way up to Washington, where we were to play Georgetown. We stopped at Lynchburg, Virginia, to



ALUMNUS of the Month Jeff Beard is a walking encyclopedia of Auburn's glory, spirit, history, traditions

let the boys practice on Thursday afternoon, got back on the train, and travelled through the floods to Washington.

"We managed to get to Griffin Stadium in time for the game, and after all the hardships, Georgetown held Auburn to only a 6-6 tie."

"After the game we had 30 minutes to clean up the boys, pack the equipment, and get everybody to the station for the train. That was during the first part of the war when, if you missed a train, you were out of luck.

"We made it, but the situation was so bad that the boys didn't get a meal until we had reached Atlanta, 24 hours later.

"To me, this is the worst trip the football team has ever made."

## Teams and Thrills

COACH BEARD'S two biggest athletic thrills were the '42 Georgia game and the '49 University of Alabama game. The two best recent teams, he believes, were those of 1932 and 1942.

"The '42 team played with only 30 boys and two coaches," he recalls. "Besides beating Georgia, the team of '42, after a tough train ride to New Orleans, defeated Tulane, 27-13. Auburn also defeated LSU, 25-6."

The biggest post-game celebration followed the '31 game against the University of Wisconsin, according to Coach Beard. When the players returned to Auburn, after having tied

Wisconsin in Madison, they were honored by a bonfire in Bullard Field, attended by all the students.

"That celebration probably marked the turning point between the good team of '31 and the undefeated team of '32," Coach Beard stated.

## His Duties

AS BUSINESS manager of the Auburn Athletic Association, Jeff Beard handles football tickets, all buying, and all receipts and disbursement. He works with Athletic Director Wilbur Hutsell on budgets and business policies of the A.P.I. athletic organization.

Although born in Hardensburg, Kentucky, Jeff Beard spent most of his childhood in Greensboro, Alabama, where he attended Greensboro High School. There, he played baseball and basketball, excelling in the latter. In fact, when the Greensboro quintet went to the Cotton State Basketball Tournament, held at A.P.I., Jeff was one of the players.

His brother, Percy, '28, having come to Auburn, Jeff would have selected A.P.I. over any other college. But limited finances compelled him to work with the Alabama Highway Department the summer after his high school graduation.

## To Auburn—Opportunity

ON Labor Day, 1928, Jeff saw and talked to Emmett "Unk" Sizemore, '21, today a district supervisor with the A.P.I. Extension Service.

"Unk told me that if I wanted to go to Auburn, he could get me a job there," Coach Beard explained. "So I came here with him that afternoon and I've been here ever since."

Coach Beard's first job at Auburn included putting up bleachers on Drake Field and helping the late Professor J. M. Robinson. Re received, for his labors, the sum of 25 cents an hour. But he got by, what with the \$1.63 he had in his pocket when he left Greensboro.

Coach Beard first studied engineering at A.P.I., but he later changed to business administration.

"The tough engineering mathematics prompted me to do that," he frankly admits.

## Social Life Then

THERE being only 100 girls on the Auburn campus at the turn of the '20-'30 decade, social life lacked a high degree of specialization. You either made your date a month in advance or you didn't get one, if you were male.

There were three big seasonal dances then, and fraternities handled most of the intramural athletics.

While a student, Jeff Beard held membership in Spade, ODK, Blue Key, and Spiked Shoe. Along with these extracurricular activities, he went out wholeheartedly for track.

Starting out in the hurdles, he soon transferred to the shot and discus. In his senior year he set a southern record with the discus which still stands.

"Of course, Coach Hutsell says that as long as I coach, it will stand," Coach Beard jokes.

## His Teachers

COACH Beard recalls many of his professors, among them former School of Science and Literature Dean John Scott, John Goff, now at Emory, and the late Dr. George Petrie.

"You know, Elmer Salter ('27, manager of Auburn Radio Station WAUD) was a history instructor here in '28. He handled sports publicity and taught history classes," Coach Beard added.

## Classmates

COACH Beard, having remained for so

many years at A.P.I., has been able to maintain contact with most of his classmates. A few of those whom he mentioned were J. Mac Jones, '32, Montgomery lawyer, Sam Fort, '32, manager of Drennen's in Bessemer, C. E. "Tip" Mathews, '32, now with the Mobile Press-Register, Jack Stewart, '32, of Talladega, J. D. Bush, '32, co-captain of the football team that year, Joe Plank, '32, professor of mathematics at Florida State University, Bruce Gregory, '32, with Gulf Refining Company in Atlanta, Ralph Jordan, '32, with the University of Georgia, Tom Lumpkin, '32, with the A.P.I. Extension Service, and so many more that the reporter's penmanship was of too poor a calibre to keep up with the rapidity of the listing.

## Depression

WHEN Jeff Beard got his sheepskin in 1932, the U.S. had been pitched point blank into the dark throes of a great business panic and depression. Jobs were not available that spring, and by the following fall the president of the United States had ordered all banks to close.

As one alumnus puts it, everybody sat around waiting for better times with the patches on the seats of their trousers wearing away.

Not Jeff Beard. He went to Birmingham and, with an amazing sales spiel, talked the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company into placing a store at Auburn. Jeff was made manager, and he held onto that job for four years, until the worst part of the depression had ended.

Percy, Jeff's brother, had been Wilbur Hutsell's assistant until 1937, when he went with the University of Florida. Jeff received his job as assistant track coach and PE instructor. In 1940, he was assigned the additional duty of editing Auburn's football programs, and he executed that task for eight years—until Jimmy Coleman, '49, took it over last fall.

Coach Beard was appointed Athletic Association business manager in 1944, one of his red-letter years. In 1944, when Coach Bob Evans became ill, Jeff took over the basketball team and it promptly came out of a losing streak.

## His Family

AN ELDER in the Auburn Presbyterian Church and a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, Coach Beard is married to the former Maiben Hixon. They have three children, Jeff Hixon, Jr., 14, Charles Allen, 12, and Kitty Sue, 9. Jeff, Jr., was given his father's nickname as an actual surname. Coach Beard's cognomen is Garland Washington.

His children are Coach Beard's hobby, for he spends a good deal of his spare time with them. He also fishes in ponds, lakes, and streams neighboring on Auburn.

## IFC Advisor

IN OCTOBER of 1949 Coach Beard was appointed advisor to the Interfraternity Council, a tribute to his popularity among Auburn student groups. As IFC advisor, Coach Beard is responsible for counseling each of the 20 fraternities at A.P.I.

Previous IFC advisor was the late Professor J. M. Robinson, who served in the capacity for many years.

As he does in everything else, Jeff Beard will apply himself diligently to his extracurricular job with Auburn's fraternities. For he believes in hard work, and he certainly doesn't do that work for its credit-provoking characteristics.

For, you see, Jeff Beard is one of those fortunate men who enjoy their work so much that they devote all their waking time to it and plead for no let-up.

## Poets Laureate

## Roses Are Red...

A GOODLY number of Auburn alumni are potential poets.

This trying situation was revealed in replies to a life membership notice which the Alumni Association sent to A.P.I. graduates and former students two months ago.

Engraved on the notice was a limerick with an absent last line. Alumni were asked to fill in the last line with something of their own contrivance. As of the first week in February, more than 50 Auburn poets had expressed themselves.

Twenty per cent of the repliers wrote about beer, and about 16 per cent wrote about football or a related topic.

The limerick went:  
"Once there was an alumnus from here—  
For Auburn he gave a very big cheer—  
But he gave not to the fund  
As his classmates had done"

Alumni were requested to fill in the last line.

Several humorous, and many more

replies of a serious nature were received.

The classes of 1919, 1942, and 1943 proved to have more poets than any other single group. One member of the class of '19 added the line:

"As a miser he has no peer."

Another alumnus:

"Oh, heck, here's a check. I'm clear."

Several of the athletic replies ran:

"To help beat Alabama again next year."

"Because he did not get football request forms '49 season or year!"

The answers relating to beer went:

"He spent his five bucks for beer."

The serious lines included:

"To preserve associations so dear."

"He should help build Auburn for his son."

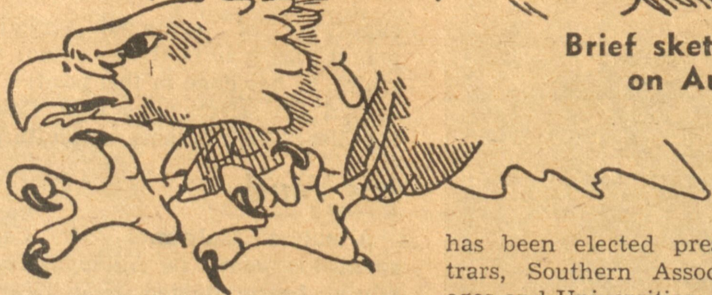
"But he resolved to do so this year."

Et cetera.

The replies were all good, but never before had we realized that so many poets existed in Auburn's alumni body.



# Alumnualities



Brief sketches and news items  
on Auburn's sons and  
daughters

## 1896

**DEATH:** William A. Kline, who majored at Auburn in mechanical engineering, recently died in Columbus, Georgia. Mr. Kline was connected with the Central of Georgia Railroad before his death.

## 1900

**DEATH:** Llewellyn P. Motley, of Providence, Rhode Island, died at his home in West Barrington, Rhode Island, recently. Born in Tuskegee, Alabama, Mr. Motley was a Mason and a member of the Episcopal Church.

## 1903

**DEATH:** Thomas Joseph Dowdell, of Miami, Florida, died on December 26 at a Chattahoochee, Florida, hospital after a brief illness. Mr. Dowdell was a nephew of Mrs. B. B. Ross, of Auburn, and a member of the Methodist Church.

## 1904

**DEATH:** Walter S. Going, vice-president of the Continental Gin Company, died of a heart attack at his home on September 17. Mr. Going was a member of one of the pioneer families of Birmingham. After his graduation from Auburn, Mr. Going became associated with Continental Gin. He was elected to the vice-presidency in August, 1934, having before that time served as export manager and sales manager. Mr. Going traveled extensively for the company in India, Africa, South America, and other foreign countries, and thus became one of the more widely known men in the cotton ginning field. Active in Birmingham civic affairs, Mr. Going was a member of the Birmingham Rotary Club. He was also a Shriner. During World War II he was an adviser to the War Production Board. Mr. Going was a member of the South Highlands Presbyterian Church.

## 1908

James Lister Skinner is director of the Moore School of Technology, Memphis, Tennessee. A former resident of Auburn, Mr. Skinner holds the honorary D.Sc. degree. After leaving Auburn and prior to his appointment in 1938 to the directorship of the Moore School, he was associated with the Academy of Richmond County, Augusta, Georgia, and was principal of the high school and president of the Junior College in Augusta. A member of Tau Beta Pi, he is married to the former Lucille Allen, of Mobile. They have four children. . . . Howard I. Holleman, formerly of Byron, Georgia, now resides in Miami, Florida. Mr. Holliman obtained his B.S. in electrical engineering from Auburn.

## 1909

Leonard Clyde Slaton, who has been out of the southland for 25 years, now lives in Montgomery.

## 1910

John M. Spearman manages manufacturing operations for TCI in Birmingham. Married to the former Myrtle Thirsk, Mr. Spearman has three children, two of whom are Auburn alumni. His sons are John T., member of the class of '35, and Leroy M., '43. . . . George C. Waterhouse is an excavation equipment merchant in Jackson, Mississippi. He is a member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity.

## 1911

A. Finley Harper has been appointed industrial safety administrator for Alabama, heading the division of safe-

ty and inspection, Department of Industrial Relations. Headquarters of this division are located in Birmingham. Mr. Harper received a B.S. in mining engineering at Auburn and has been engaged as mining engineer and superintendent of mines in the Birmingham district since 1911. Prior to his recent appointment, he was superintendent of mines for the Consolidated Coal Company, Birmingham. Mr. Harper is a veteran of World War I.

## 1913

Claude Wright Watson, research chemist with the Texas Company in Port Arthur, Texas, has written the Alumni Office that he is interested in forming an Auburn Club which might possibly encompass Beaumont, Port Arthur, and Orange, Texas. Alumni may reach Mr. Watson at 3332 Sixth Street, Port Arthur. . . . On the receiving end of equipment for a new X-Ray department at Birmingham's Jefferson-Hillman Hospital was Dr. Roy R. Kracke, Medical College dean. The gift was presented by Frank P. Samford, '14, president of the Liberty National Life Insurance Company, with headquarters in Birmingham. The equipment will be used for treatment of cancer patients.



## 1916

**DEATH:** Lee Irwin Davis, of Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey, died on February 1. Mr. Davis, who had been in failing health for more than a year, held two degrees from Auburn. After leaving Auburn he did test floor work at Westinghouse's East Pittsburgh plant. In early 1918 he was commissioned ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve. Following his discharge from active duty, he worked for some time for Worthington Pump and Machinery Corporation, then for Electrical Testing Laboratories. Since 1925 he had done highly specialized work with Otis Elevator Company in New York City.

Willis Charles Roycroft, who holds his doctorate in veterinary medicine from A.P.I., is manager of the Bayou Ice and Electric Company and the Petrolone Gas Company in Bayou La Batre. Mr. Roycroft was a veterinarian in Mobile and advertising manager of the Wilmington, North Carolina, *Morning Star*, before moving to Bayou La Batre in 1927. He is a veteran of World War I, a life member of the Auburn Alumni Association, and a member of Alpha Psi fraternity. He also holds memberships and offices in many Bayou civic organizations.

## 1918

Dr. Richard Olney Russell practices medicine in Birmingham, where he is a member of the Jefferson County Auburn Club. Dr. Russell specializes in internal medicine and diagnosis. Dr. Russell, who has had several medical papers published in professional publications, is a member of Delta Sigma Phi.

## 1920

**BIRTH:** A daughter, Mary Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whatley, of Opelika, on January 7. Mr. Whatley is a member of the class of '20.

Dr. Jesse Newman McLane is practicing medicine in Pensacola, Florida, where he holds membership in the local Auburn club. Dr. McLane resides in Gulf Breeze, Florida. A veteran of World War I, he received his M.D. from the University of Tennessee. . . . Charles W. Edwards, A.P.I. registrar,

has been elected president of registrars, Southern Association of Colleges and Universities. . . . Joe Thomas, Auburn civil engineering graduate, lives in Macon, Georgia.

## 1921

John L. Whatley, of Opelika, has been named to the board of directors, Alabama Dairy Products Association. . . . Daniel Eugene Bivins, Jr., practices electrical engineering in West Monroe, Louisiana. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity, Mr. Bivins is immediate past president of the West Monroe Kiwanis Club. He is married to the former Carmen Anderson and has two sons, Daniel and John. . . . Julian L. Letcher now resides in Hot Springs, New Mexico.

## 1922

District sales manager of the explosives department, DuPont Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is James D.



"Fats" Lawrence, who was among those selected by the Birmingham News in 1945 as All-Time Auburn football players. Mr. Lawrence played center in '21, '22, '23, and '24. He was captain of the team and All-Southern in 1924. While at Auburn, Mr. Lawrence held membership in Alpha Gamma Rho, Phi Kappa Phi, Spades, and the "A" Club. Today, he is a member of the Pittsburgh Field Club, the Pittsburgh Athletic Association, the Engineers Club, and the Fox Chapel Methodist Church. Married to the former Madge Tilly, he has two daughters, Madge, 19, and Ruth, 14. . . . Leon Gottlieb is connected with the Wright Contracting Company, Columbus, Georgia. Mr. Gottlieb served as a lieutenant-colonel in the Army Corps of Engineers during World War II. . . . Richard Orrick Davis is chief draftsman for the Virginia Bridge Company, Birmingham. Mr. Davis is a member of the Jefferson County Auburn Club.

## 1923

Rufus Foy Brackin teaches agriculture at the Guilford High School, Guilford, North Carolina. . . . Horace

G. Williams, formerly with the Alabama Power Company in Birmingham, now resides in Ormond, Florida.

## 1925

Dr. Hubert Stephens Jackson practices dentistry in San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Jackson is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity. . . . John Joseph Weatherly is chief process engineer with the Stearns-Roger Manufacturing Company in Denver, Colorado. Mr. Weatherly is a member of the Denver Chamber of Commerce, the Cherry Hills Country Club, the Mount Vernon Country Club, and the Petroleum Club. . . . Clarence H. Turk is district traffic manager for Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Miami, Florida.

## 1926

William Wesley Pate is an assistant in research, soils division, Bureau of



Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering, USDA, with headquarters in Beltsville, Maryland. Mr. Pate was appointed to his present position in 1946. Married to the former Alice Norman, he has two daughters, Mary Emma, 18, and Peggy Ann, 14. . . . Hulan Alva Small is teaching vocational agriculture in Camden, South Carolina. Mr. Small also owns several apartment houses in Camden. . . . Another Auburn alumnus residing in Camden, South Carolina, is W. C. McCauley, county agent.

## 1927

Howard S. Durden owns the White Chapel Funeral Home in Montgomery. A major in the Army Air Force Reserve, Mr. Durden holds membership in the Montgomery Auburn Club and Pi Kappa Alpha social fraternity. . . . John Edward King is with the subscription service division of Time in Chicago, Illinois. . . . Dr. Henry A. Bess is chairman of the department of entomology, Hawaii Agricultural Ex-

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## Congratulations, Cousin

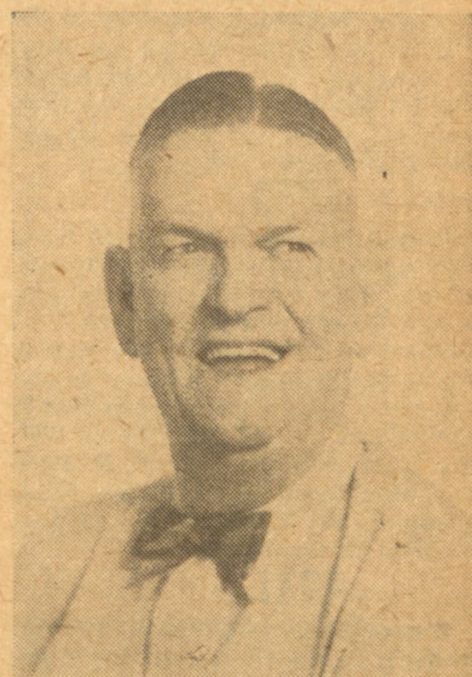
# An Honor for "Crow"

FORNEY Renfro "Crow" Wright, '02, was signally honored in the December 27 issue of the Alabama Christian Advocate. Mr. Wright, salesman in one of the local Auburn haberdasheries, was named "the one person who continues to tie Auburn's past to Auburn's present and to make every Auburn student and alumnus feel at home in the loveliest village. . . ."

The Christian Advocate feature, written by Dr. T. P. Chalker, pastor of the Auburn Methodist Church, stated: "Cousin Crow, as an usher at the Auburn Methodist Church, welcomes every member and every student with a hearty handshake which says far better than any words could. 'You are welcome!'"

"Surely no man can excel Cousin Crow at the business of making friends and making people feel at home. He is a master of human relations, and the thrilling fact is that he has completely dedicated this extraordinary talent to God."

The Auburn Wesley Foundation recently recognized Cousin Crow's work by the gift of a gold cross to be worn



on the lapel of his coat. Many students have become active in the Foundation and in the Church because of his friendliness.



# Alabama Agriculture's "Man of the Year"

JAMES Clifford Cannon, '23, has been selected "Man of the Year" in Alabama agriculture by the **Progressive Farmer** magazine.

This special honor, given outstanding Alabamians who have rendered great service to the state's agricultural progress, has previously been awarded to Dr. M. J. Funchess, dean of the A.P.I. School of Agriculture and director of the A.P.I. Experiment Station system, John H. Bankhead, P. O. Davis, '16, director of the A.P.I. Extension Service, Dr. L. N. Duncan, '00, late president of Auburn, R. Y. Bailey, '16, an official with the Soil Conservation Service, K. G. Baker, R. E. Cammack, '16, Alabama vocational director, Dr. Tom D. Spies, M. H. Pearson, '15, Alabama Farm Security Administration director, E. S. Morgan, Fred Stewart, '11, superintendent of the A.P.I. Tennessee Valley Substation, and Senator Lister Hill, '39, honorary alumnus.

Mr. Cannon began his career in agricultural supervision immediately after his graduation from Auburn, when he accepted a position at Straughn High School, Andalusia, as



teacher of vocational agriculture. After 1926 he held successively such educational jobs as school principal and assistant supervisor of vocational agriculture for northeast Alabama.

In 1945 he was appointed Alabama

supervisor of vocational agriculture, and it was mainly the excellent work which he has done in this position that caused his selection as 1949 "Man of the Year" in Alabama agriculture.

## His Youth

A native Alabamian, Mr. Cannon spent his youth in Autauga County, where he graduated from Marbury High School. As a boy, he worked on his family's farm and did part-time clerking in a bank during his last two years of high school.

Coming to A.P.I. in 1919, Mr. Cannon early in his college career took an active part in extracurricular activities. He held membership in the Agricultural Club, Websterian Literary Society, Sigma Phi Sigma, and Square and Compass.

His duties having kept him in Auburn most of the time since his graduation, Mr. Cannon has seen A.P.I. "grow and develop by leaps and bounds." He feels that many definite strides have been made in the last quarter-century toward the Greater Auburn of the future.

Married to the former Rebekah Pruett, '29, of Hurtsboro, Mr. Cannon has two children, James Pruett, 16, who is now in high school, and David Guerry, 11, who attends grammar school.

## Memberships

His memberships include the American Vocational Association, the Alabama Vocational Association, Kappa Delta Pi, the Alabama Forestry Council, and many other professional organizations and committees. He is a member of the First Methodist Church in Montgomery.

The duties of Mr. Cannon's position as Alabama supervisor of vocational agriculture include working with staff members in planning and developing a program of vocational agriculture that will "help farm people help themselves."

The Alabama vocational agriculture program is of gigantic size, there being 309 departments of vocational agriculture in the state's high schools. There are more than 1100 teachers in the veterans training program in agriculture.

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periment Station, University of Hawaii, Honolulu. Dr. Bess holds his M.S. from the University of Florida and his Ph.D. from Ohio State University. . . . **Lieutenant Colonel Forney H. Ingram** is stationed at Fort William Davis, Panama Canal Zone.

## 1928

**Dan Sikes** handles the fleet and commercial marketing activities in the New Orleans division of the Gulf Refining Company. . . . **Ernest Luther Potter** is superintendent of Alabama Power Company's eastern district, with headquarters in Anniston. Mr. Potter is married to the former Dorothy H. Stamps and has two children, Dorothy C., and Ernest L., Jr. He holds membership in the Calkoun County Auburn Club and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. . . . **Hugh Robinson Kinzer** is a civil engineer with the division of construction, TVA, Knoxville, Tennessee.

## 1929

**John Cecil Hays** is construction engineer on Fort Randall Dam, Pickstown, South Dakota. Mr. Hays is the only South Dakota alumnus whom the Association has been able to find. . . . **Pete Freeman Crenshaw, Jr.**, is president of the Crenshaw Company, Incorporated, wholesale distributors, in Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. Crenshaw is a member of the local Auburn club and of Sigma Nu fraternity. . . . **George Timothy Stafford** is president of the Birmingham Manufacturing Company, Birmingham. Married to the former Evelyn Coffin, Mr. Stafford has three children, Evelyn, 12, George, 11, and Harry, five years old.

## 1930

**Kermit George** is in the real estate and agricultural businesses in Florida. He also holds membership on the Covington County board of revenue. . . . **Willie Mae Cowden** is in the employ of the Shelby County Welfare Department as a social worker. She resides in Columbiana. . . . **William Clayton Welden** is an executive with H. P. Hood and Sons, Incorporated, Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. Welden resides in West Medford, Massachusetts.

## 1931

**George Leslie Williamson** is sales manager of the Gibson Electric Company in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. . . . **William Webster Cotney** is superintendent of the A.P.I. Upper Coastal Plain Substation, Winfield. A member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, Mr.

Cotney is married to the former Fannie Cleveland. They have two daughters, Elizabeth, 12, and Frances, ten years old. . . . **Mrs. M. H. Jones**, the former Fanny Sue Maples, teaches home economics at the Woodville High School, Woodville, Alabama. Mrs. Jones is past president of both the Rho chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma society, and the Woodville Culture Club. She also holds membership in Kappa Delta Pi. Mrs. Jones has been home economics teacher at Woodville High for 15 years.

## 1932

**DEATH:** Mrs. T. S. Gunby, the former Anne Towles, of Pittsburgh, died on December 20, 1949, after an automobile accident. Mrs. Gunby is survived by Colonel Thomas S. Gunby, PMST, Duquesne University, her husband, and Mrs. H. C. Kinne, Jr., her daughter.

**Albert B. "Abe" Allen** is manager of the Coca-Cola Export Corporation quality control department, with headquarters in New York City. . . . **Ralph "Shug" Jordan**, former Auburn coach and All-Southern athlete while a student at A.P.I., has been named football line coach and chief assistant to Head Coach Wally Butts at the University of Georgia.



At A.P.I. Mr. Jordan played center on the football team, guard on the basketball team, and first base on the baseball team. After graduation, he became assistant freshman coach at Auburn, and by the time he entered the Army at the outset of World War II he was coaching the line, scouting, and coaching basketball. Mr. Jordan attained the rank of captain in the Corps of Engineers and participated in four invasion landings. Before his appointment at Georgia after the war, for a short while he coached the Auburn football team and the Miami Seahawks, professional football team.

## 1933

**Sarah B. Wingard** is dean of women and chairman of education at the Northeast Mississippi College, Booneville, Mississippi.



Miss Wingard is a member and vice-president of her local Delta Kappa Gamma chapter. She holds her M.A. degree from the University of Alabama. . . . **Dr. Otto Morningstar** is president of the Morningstar Corporation in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

settts. Mr. Morningstar, who obtained his Ph.D. at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, resides in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts. . . . **C. S. "Sid" Carroll** has been elected president of the East Memphis Kiwanis Club, Memphis, Tennessee.



Mr. Carroll is general manager of Douthit-Sanchez, the south's largest Pontiac retail automobile agency. He is a veteran of World War II, having served for four years in the Navy. Mr. Carroll held a commandship upon being mustered out of the Navy. He is port director for the Armed Forces Military Services, a member of the Army-Navy Club and the Sales Managers Club, and on the Mullins Methodist Church board of stewards. Mr. Carroll is also area manager for the National Automobile Dealers Association.

## 1934

**William Robert Middleton, Jr.**, is a senior chemist in the research and development laboratories of the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Incorporated, Paulsboro, New Jersey. Mr. Middleton resides in Wenonah, New Jersey. A member of the American Chemical Society, the American Ornithologists Union, the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club, and the Philadelphia Auburn Club, Mr. Middleton is married to the former Thelma Elizabeth Gilmore. They have one son, James Lee, three years old. . . . **Dr. Frank G. Keller** is a physician practicing pediatrics in Mobile. . . . **Shelley Charles Parker** owns and operates the Carr Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company in Tuskegee. A past president of the Tuskegee Lions Club, Mr. Parker is a member of the Masons and the Order of the Eastern Star. Married to the former Frances Lee Carr, he has three young daughters. Mr. Parker is a veteran of service in the Army during World War II.

## 1935

**William Edward Prewitt, Jr.**, is field technical engineer for the Wagner Electric Corporation in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Prewitt will be remembered by his classmates as head cheerleader in 1934-35 and as a member of Sigma Chi fraternity, Blue Key, and the "A" Club. . . . **William Brown Morland** is

in field supervision work for Philip Morris and Company



at New Orleans. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Morland was discharged from the Army as a captain. He is married to the former Frances Edwards and has one son, W. B., Jr., eight years old. . . .

**Captain William Bonna Capps** is assistant light aviation officer with Eighth Army Headquarters in Yokohama, Japan. A member of the Far East Auburn Club, Captain Capps is married to the former Nell Frances Isbell. They have two sons, W. B., Jr., and John Alan.

## 1936

**BIRTHS:** A son, Ernest Thomason, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lynch Whatley, of Opelika, at the Opelika Hospital on January 21. Mr. Whatley is a member of the class of '36. . . . A son, August J., Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Stitzel, of Falls Church, Virginia, at 11:30 p.m. on December 31. The baby was the last to be born in the Washington, D.C., area during 1949, and was thus featured in the Washington Times-Herald. Mrs. Stitzel is the former Helen Malsby, '36.

**Nettie Lee Barnes** is a teacher in the Sylacauga public school system. She is a member of Kappa Delta Pi and the American Association of University Women. . . . **Mrs. Mills Whitelaw**, the former Eleanor Boyd, is program director for Radio Station WPCE in Panama City, Florida. . . . **Gordon William MacKinney** is assistant sales manager in the propeller division of the Curtiss-Wright Corporation in Caldwell, New Jersey. Mr. MacKinney is a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He resides in Montclair, New Jersey.

## 1937

**Major Louis Fink**, who is stationed in Vienna, Austria, writes that he got the wonderful news about the '49 Auburn Alabama game shortly after it happened. He sends us a "War Eagle" yell across the ocean. . . . **Charlton Hudson Williams** is vice-president of the Swift Manufacturing Company in Columbus, Georgia. A member of Phi Delta Theta, Mr. Williams is married to the former Eula Kirven.



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Wade. They have four children—two sons and two daughters. . . . **Dr. Cecil Paul Vickers** is practicing veterinary medicine and operating a small animal hospital in Tallahassee, Florida. Dr. Vickers is immediate past president of the Florida State Veterinary Medical Association and of the Florida Board of Veterinary Examiners. Vice-president of the Tallahassee Exchange Club, he is a member of Alpha Psi veterinary medicine fraternity.

## 1938

**Sarah Grace Hudspeth** is chief social worker in the Veterans Hospital, Montgomery. Miss Hudspeth, who holds her M.S. from Tulane, will be remembered by classmates as a member of the Auburn Players, the Baptist Student Union, and the Elementary Education Club. . . . **Robert L. Griffin**, for 12 years Perry County agricultural agent, has been named director of organization for the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation. . . . **William D. Mastin** is sales engineer with the Robertshaw-Fulton Controls Company in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mr. Mastin is a member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

## 1939

**BIRTH:** A daughter, Linda Ellen, was born to **Major and Mrs. Francis K. Bagby**, of Falls Church, Virginia, on December 23. Mr. Bagby is a member of the class of '39.

**Fred Ellis Vann** is engineer in charge of equipment with Stockham Valves and Fittings Company in Birmingham. A lieutenant in the U.S. Naval Reserve during World War II, Mr. Vann is married to the former Mary Louise Diamond. They have two young daughters, Melinda and Ellen. . . . **Major William Marion Hargett, USAF**, is stationed in the office of the directorate of intelligence, USAF Headquarters, Washington, D. C. Major Hargett was a member of Alpha Phi Omega and the Baptist Student Union during his days as an Auburn student. He obtained his bachelor's degree in aeronautical administration. . . . **James Glenn Brown** is a public health engineer in Hastings, Michigan. A veteran of service in the Army Corps of Engineers during World War II, Mr. Brown was discharged as a captain. He is a member of Rotary, and is now vice-president of the Michigan Junior Chamber of Commerce.

## 1940

**BIRTH:** A son, Richard Rives, was born to **Mr. and Mrs. John C. Godbold**, of Montgomery, on December 7. Both Mr. and Mrs. Godbold, the former **Betty Showalter**, are members of the class of '40.

**Lieutenant Colonel Marshall Johnson Hooper, USMC**, is on duty in connection with reserve training in Birmingham. A veteran of World War II, Colonel Hooper served for more than three years in the Pacific Theatre. He is a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity. . . . **Julian P. Myrick and David E. Myrick**, '49, have established an enlarging furniture company in Orlando, Florida. Upon the opening of the store last fall, Orlando papers were full of news about the new organization. On opening day, the Myrick brothers gave Aloha orchids flown in from Hawaii to all ladies present. The Myricks have been very active in the Auburn Club of Central Florida. . . . **Benjamin Clyde McCary** is open hearth foreman at TCI in Ensley. Mr. McCary, a member of the Jefferson County Auburn Club and Delta Sigma Phi, resides in Birmingham.



## 1941

**BIRTHS:** Twin daughters were born to **Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Brown, Jr.**, of Opelika, at the Columbus, Georgia, City Hospital on December 30. Mr. Brown is a member of the class of '41. . . . A daughter, Marsha Elizabeth, was born to **Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Ellis Prather**, of Auburn, on January 19. Mr. Prather is a member of the class of '41, and Mrs. Prather, the

former **Mary Elizabeth Marshall**, is a member of the class of '42.

**Travis LaFayette Taylor** is a merchant in Selma. Mr. Taylor, a veteran of five years service during World War II, is a member of the local Auburn club and of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. . . . Executive director of the Sylacauga Housing Authority is **Virginia South West**, member of Alpha



Miss West

Omicron Pi and Auburn graduate in business administration. Miss West's position includes the management of 225 federally owned dwelling units, which are constantly increasing in number. Miss West holds membership in the American Association of University Women and is immediate past president of the Sylacauga Business and Professional Women's Club. . . . **James David Bozeman**, who received his bachelor's degree from A.P.I. in pharmacy, is in his fourth year of the study of medicine at the University of Georgia School of Medicine.

## 1942

**BIRTHS:** A son, Archie G., Jr., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Archie G. Roberts, of Birmingham, on July 10. Mr. Roberts is a member of the class of '42, and Mrs. Roberts, the former **Ruth Judson Cox**, is a member of the class of '46. . . . A son, Gil, Jr., was born to **Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gilbert Maddox**, of Carrollton, Georgia, on December 28. Mr. Maddox, who coaches at the Carrollton High School, is a member of the class of '42.

**MARRIAGE:** Octavia Moore Johnson, of Auburn, to **Barrett Lankford Collier**, '42, also of Auburn, at the Opelika Trinity Methodist Church on December 26. The couple will reside in Auburn.

**Edgar Cuthbert Gentle, Jr.**, is transmission engineer with the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Birmingham. A captain in the Army Corps of Engineers during World War II and a holder of the Bronze Star, Mr. Gentle is married to the former Mary Jeanne Thibodeau. They have two young daughters. . . . **Clyde Burton Hewitt** is secretary-treasurer of the Hewitt Contracting Company in Columbus, Georgia. Mr. Hewitt is a member of the Columbus Auburn Club, Sigma Chi fraternity, and the board of stewards of the Saint Luke Methodist Church. . . . **Dr. Benjamin F. Cox** is a veterinary pathologist at North Carolina State College, Raleigh, North Carolina. Dr. Cox is president of the national council of Alpha Psi professional fraternity and a member of Sigma Nu fraternity, the American Veterinary Medical Association and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.



Dr. Cox

## 1943

**BIRTH:** A son, Stephen Davis, was born to **Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Benson**, of Auburn, on January 19. Both Mr. and Mrs. Benson, the former **Madrid Davis**, are members of the class of '43. **MARRIAGE:** Gypsy Anne Boyd, of Selma, to **Harold E. Streetman**, '43, of Montgomery, in Selma on January 20. Mr. Streetman holds a position with the Commercial Credit Association in Montgomery.

**Dr. Coy Hansel Poitevint** practices veterinary medicine in Dothan, where he owns a small animal hospital and a large animal hospital. A member of Omega Tau Sigma professional fraternity, the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Dothan Quarterback Club, and the Dothan Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Poitevint is vice-president of the Alabama Veterinary Association. He is married to the former Louise Darley. . . . **Earl William Kelley** is a retail furniture merchant in



**MOST** Auburn men know the alumnus on the right above. This shot, taken at the Macon, Georgia, Diamond Jubilee Carnival in October of the year 1899, shows him as Lilliputian

king with his queen, Miss Miriam Noone. He's now the vice-president in charge of athletics, Heart of Georgia Auburn Club. His name? He's Harry Kendall, of the class of '15

Carbon Hill. A veteran of overseas service with the U.S. Navy during World War II, Mr. Kelley was discharged as a lieutenant. He is a member of Theta Chi fraternity and the Lions Club. . . . **Captain Charles G. Kershaw, II**, is now stationed at Camp Campbell, Kentucky. His classmates will remember Captain Kershaw as a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. Married to the former Shirley Allyne Bristow, he has one son, Charles G., III, one year old.

## 1944

**MARRIAGE:** Elsie Atanasoff, of Boulder, Colorado, to **Richard T. Whistler**, '44, also of Boulder, in Boulder on December 17. Mr. Whistler received his M.A. degree from the University of Colorado and is now employed with the department of revenue, City and County of Denver, Denver, Colorado.

**Robert Ingram High, Jr.**, is work unit conservationist with the USDA's Soil Conservation Service in Russellville. A member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, Mr. High is married to the former V. Christine Graves. . . . **Mrs. Harry Stam**, the former **Ethel Waid**, teaches at the East Gadsden Elementary School, East Gadsden. Mrs. Stam is a member of the American Association of University Women, Kappa Delta Pi, and Theta Epsilon. . . . **Malcolm Burke Harrell, Jr.**, is



Mrs. Stam

a salesman with Solomon Brothers, Incorporated, Montgomery. Mr. Harrell is a member of Sigma Nu fraternity.

## 1945

**BIRTHS:** Twin sons, Richard Ware and Thomas Allen, were born to **Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Goode**, of Washington, D. C., on December 16. Dr. Goode is a member of the class of '45, and Mrs. Goode, the former **Betty Ware**, is a member of the class of '48. . . . A daughter, Gayle Sims, was born to **Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Behrman**, of Princeton, New Jer-

sey, on January 5. Mrs. Behrman is the former **Louise Sims**, '45.

**Landis C. Worthy** has accepted a position with Robert and Company in Atlanta, Georgia. Married to the former Kathleen Rushing, Mr. Worthy now has two small children, Landis Cleveland, Jr., 16 months old, and Kathleen Marie, four months old. . . . **Dr. James C. Denton** now resides in Richmond, Virginia. . . . **Mrs. J. M. Street, Jr.**, the former **Mary Jane Mullen**, is a home economist with the Birmingham Electric Company.

## 1946

**BIRTH:** A son, James Lafayette, Jr., was born to **Mr. and Mrs. J. L. "Dick" Perry**, of Philadelphia, Mississippi, on December 30. Mrs. Perry is the former **Lallah Miles**, '46, a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

**MARRIAGE:** Martha Augusta Thigpen, of Tuscumbia, to **Thomas Oliver McLemore**, '46, of Montgomery, at the Tuscumbia First Methodist Church on February 18. Mr. McLemore is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

**Samuel Henry Andrews, III**, is manager of the Andrews Helm Company, Citronelle. Mr. Andrews is a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity. . . . **Dr. Thomas H. Vardaman** is research veterinarian at the U.S. Regional Animal Disease Research Laboratory, Auburn. . . . **Robert Jacques Hesslein** is an engineer with the Ohio Hatch Company, Wadsworth, Ohio. A veteran of service in the Navy during World War II, Mr. Hesslein holds his degree from Auburn in mechanical engineering.

## 1947

**BIRTH:** A daughter was born to **Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Moody**, of Montgomery, on January 20. Mr. Moody is a member of the class of '47, and Mrs. Moody, the former **Barbara Ann Weatherwax**, is a member of the class of '50.

**MARRIAGES:** Edna Griffin, of Demopolis, to **Robert Ledyard, Jr.**, '47, at the Trinity Episcopal Church in Demopolis on January 16. . . . Helen Louise Dobbs, of Birmingham, to **Fred Richard Blankenship, Jr.**, '47, al-

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# From 4-H Club Agent to High USDA Post

A NATIVE of Randolph County, Alabama, and graduate of the A.P.I. School of Agriculture class in 1931 has been appointed Head Agronomist in Charge, Division of Weed Investigation, USDA, with headquarters in Beltsville, Maryland.

He's Dr. Roy L. Lovvorn, who has made a reputation for himself as agronomist at North Carolina State College, an institution with which he has been associated since 1936.

## From Randolph County

REARED on a farm in Alabama's Randolph County, Dr. Lovvorn was active in agricultural work long before deciding to go into that field as a profession. Some of his fondest remembrances about his boyhood center around the years he spent as a 4-H Club agent under Richmond Y. Bailey, '16, now with the Soil Conservation Service in Spartanburg, S. C.

So many of Mr. Lovvorn's friends and relatives had come to Auburn that there was no question as to what college he would choose. Two of his uncles are members of Auburn's alumni family. Then, too, he has a brother and several cousins who also list Auburn as their alma mater.

## College Activities

FROM his first day at A.P.I. until his last, Dr. Lovvorn took an active part in extracurricular activities. He was circulation manager of the Alabama



Farmer, editor of the "Rat Bible," student handbook, and a member of the Agriculture Club, Spades, Phi Kappa Phi, Blue Key, Gamma Sigma Delta, Scabbard and Blade, Omicron Delta Kappa, and Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity.

A cadet captain in the ROTC, Dr. Lovvorn spent his little spare time at work—in the employ of Dr. D. G. Sturkie, and also waiting tables at the boarding house in which he roomed and ate.

Dr. Lovvorn's favorite subjects at A.P.I. were botany, chemistry, and agronomy. His entire work has been built upon these subjects, and therefore he believes that they have aided him most in his career.

## Classroom Life

AMONG the professors whom Dr. Lovvorn especially remembers for the unlimited time which they devoted to helping him are Dr. D. G. Sturkie, '20, A.P.I. professor of agronomy today, and Dr. F. S. Arant, '26, head professor of zoology and entomology.

Dr. Lovvorn also sometimes reminisces about the packed basketball crowds in the little gym which Auburn had during his college days, his "many fine classmates," and the Sunday School class taught by former A.P.I. President Spright Dowell, now president of Mercer University.

After obtaining his undergraduate degree from Auburn Dr. Lovvorn studied at the University of Missouri, where he obtained the master's degree in June, 1933. Before the M.A. was awarded him, he had already begun work for the Missouri Relief and Reconstruction Commission as "a cross between a garden promoter and a social worker."

## Other Missouri Work

HE switched to Doane Agricultural Service and to a position which was

more in keeping with his training and interest. Later he became assistant county agent of Ray County, Richmond, Missouri, where, afterward, he became agent and met his wife, the former Virginia Brown, who taught in the local public school system.

Immediately before going with North Carolina State College as assistant agronomist in 1936, he was connected with the Soil Conservation Service in Bethany, Missouri. In the past 14 years Dr. Lovvorn has risen to the rank of full professor at North Carolina State, and at the time of his recent resignation was in charge of the forage crops research program and the agronomy teaching program.

## Travels, Memberships

DR. Lovvorn has traveled extensively in Europe and has done agricultural research in Holland, Belgium, and Great Britain. Therefore, he is well equipped to handle the duties of the government position to which he has been appointed.

Dr. Lovvorn holds membership in the American Society of Agronomy, the Ecological Society of America, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Sigma Xi, the Baptist Church, and Rotary International. He obtained his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin in 1942.

Head Agronomist in Charge, Division of Weed Investigations, USDA, Dr. Lovvorn's headquarters will be located in Beltsville, Maryland.

## A tribute paid

# Pharmaceutical Officer

MARSHALL C. Smith, Sr., '12, was cited in the January, 1950, issue of the *Southeastern Drug Journal* for his work as president of the Mississippi Pharmaceutical Association. Owner of the Owl Drug Store, Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Mr. Smith has been serving the Mississippi Association as president since June, 1949.

"President Smith," the article stated, "has been active in the . . . Association for a number of years. He was a member of the Mississippi Board of Pharmacy from 1938 to 1944.

"He served the Association as second vice-president and as first vice-president. During his term as first vice-president, he also served as

chairman of the membership committee and as such made an enviable record.

"He was chairman of District VIII of the State Association, of which Hattiesburg is a part."

After his graduation from Auburn, Mr. Smith accepted his first position as a druggist and was employed by the Cawthorn-Coleman Company in Selma. He later was in the employ of several other drugstores and wholesale drug companies before entering business for himself in Hattiesburg.

Mr. Smith holds membership in the Presbyterian Church, the Masonic Lodge, and the Rotary Club. A veteran of World War I, he was a pilot in the Air Corps.

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# It's Cold Outside

THOMAS M. Lowe, Jr., who graduated last fall in civil engineering, has accepted a position with Michael Baker, Engineers, and has been assigned to a job on a dam near Eugene, Oregon.

Other "civils" considering work in that part of the country will be interested in excerpts from one of Tom's recent letters:

"We've been running in the contours at proposed water level for clearing purposes, and it's rough. Vertical bluffs in some places are 100 to 300 feet high, and we're working on the side. . . .

"We have to walk about two miles from as far as we can drive the jeep to get where we're working. The snow is so deep it makes walking hard, and sometimes on the side of the mountain it takes over an hour to walk 100 feet. The Douglas firs all around are giants four to eight feet in diameter.

"This is an earth-fill type dam of about 30,000,000 yards, completion set

for 1954. They have built an earth confederdam that must be three-quarters of a mile long and are excavating rock to form a core for the spillway side of the dam.

"We wear complete rain gear all the time. I got a pair of green Navy waterproof overalls, and the company furnished me a green Navy jacket with hood. I seldom wear gloves, because they get in my way when I'm using the gun. Got a touch of frostbite one day, but not bad.

"It has snowed all day today, except when it was sleeting. Most roads and highways are closed, and the rest closed without chains. We still work all day. I'm beginning to wonder what it's going to look like when inclement weather sets in.

"My Arctics are size 14, and when I move I really tear up the ground. . . . Don't worry about me. I am getting along fine—just getting rough and tough."

## Alumnalities

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1949

so of Birmingham, on February 18.

Amy Lucretia Williams is assistant buyer in the junior and sportswear department of Ivey's, Greenville, South Carolina. Miss Williams will be remembered by her classmates as a member of Chi Omega sorority. . . . Chester Oliver Stephens, Jr., is district manager for the Ralston Purina Company in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mr. Stephens is a veteran of World War II and a member of Kappa Alpha. . . . Dr. Jerry Callis is studying in Amsterdam, Holland.

1948

BIRTHS: A daughter, Mary Gladys, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil S. Searcy, of Auburn, on December 18. Mr. Searcy is a member of the class of '48. . . . A son, Charles Graham, III, was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. Graham Hixon, of Gainesville, Georgia, on December 22. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hixon, the former Martha Evelyn Callahan, are members of the class of '48. . . . A son, Turpin Grady, III, was born to Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Owens, Jr., of Akron, Ohio, on December 8. Mr. Owens is a member of the class of '48, and Mrs. Owens, the former Iris Parker, belongs to the class of '49.

Norman R. Wallner, who is with the Grasselli chemicals department of DuPont Company in East Chicago, Illinois, has done an excellent job of compiling a list of June, '48, chemical engineering graduates and their present whereabouts. Mr. Wallner undertakes this task every year, and does an excellent job of it. . . . Lionel L. Levy, Jr., is an aeronautical research scientist at the Ames Aeronautical Laboratory, Moffett Field, California. . . . William Wood "Bill" Cole is a



trainee with Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Birmingham. Mr. Cole will be remembered by his classmates as a member of Sigma Chi fraternity, the "A" Club, and the Auburn Players.



Mr. Cole

BIRTHS: A daughter, Rebecca Rankin, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Erskine Inman, of Birmingham, on December 27. Both Mr. and Mrs. Inman, the former Nancy Gibson, are members of the class of '49. . . . A daughter, Judith Blanche, was born to Mr. and Mrs. William W. Reece, of Nashville, Tennessee, on last December 20. Mr. Reece is a member of the class of '49.

MARRIAGE: Sudie Claire Wilson of Birmingham, to Hugh Coker Barton, '49, also of Birmingham, at the Ensley Highlands Presbyterian Church in Birmingham on December 20.

DEATHS: James Grover Scott, member of the June, 1949, graduating class, died on January 8 in Mobile.

Robert Norman "Bob" Pattillo is a student at the University of Alabama Medical College. Mr. Pattillo was a member of Phi Kappa Phi, the Auburn Players, and the varsity tennis team while a student. . . . Jean A. Chambliss is a salesman with the Automotive Equipment Company in Montgomery. Mr. Chambliss is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. . . . Walter Rehling has accepted a position in forest management with the Texas Forest Service and will be located at Conroe near Houston.

1950

MARRIAGE: Ann Joyce Tucker, of Montgomery, to William Morris Welch '50, also of Montgomery, at Montgomery's Capitol Heights Baptist Church on February 11.

Captain Roger C. Graham is stationed in Weisbaden, Germany, with the AF.

1951

MARRIED: Sudie Wilson, '52, of Birmingham, to Coker Barton, '49, also of Birmingham, in December.

1952

MARRIED: Patricia Dawkins, of Montgomery, to Breet Holmes Bangle, '52, also of Montgomery, in December.